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Dunklin evidence circumstantial, Snyder says

PITTSBORO, Miss.--A delay in the habeas corpus hearing for Dr. Norman Garrison Jr. of Corinth was granted Wednesday after Missouri officials said the murder case against Garrison was based on circumstantial evidence.

Edwin Snyder, a special assistant to Mississippi Atty. Gen. A.F. Summer, represented Missouri in presenting the request for a delay. Dr. Garrison is accused of murdering his ex wife, Lee Ann Garrison, on Sept. 8 in Kennett, Mo.

Because the case hinges on circumstantial evidence, Snyder said it was important that all witnesses be heard. He said many of the witnesses lived out of state and must appear voluntarily to testify or testify by deposition.

The Missouri position is that there is a conflict of evidence and that the law demands the accused be surrendered and returned to Missouri for trial. Dr. Garrison was ordered to be extradited Dec. 4.

Dr. Garrison's attorney argued against the delay, saying, "This matter ought to be brought to a conclusion."

The attorney said Dr. Garrison's medical practice in Corinth "hinges on a speedy trial before this court."

Dunklin County, Mo., officials claim to have evidence linking Dr. Garrison to the slaying of Mrs. Garrison, who was found beaten and shot in her Kennett home.

The defense says it has witnesses who will testify that Dr. Garrison was on an outing at Pickwick Lake at the time of the slaying and, therefore, that he could not be legally extradited.

Circuit Court Judge W.W. Brown, under whose jurisdiction the hearing took place, stated, "in order to give everybody ample time to present everything that ought to be presented," the hearing should be delayed.

Matthews man seriously hurt

A Matthews man was seriously injured and three persons received minor injuries in two area accidents Wednesday, the highway patrol announced today.

Earl Monroe Knight, 69, of Matthews was seriously injured at 10:10 a.m. Wednesday on Route Y three miles west of Kewanee.

The patrol reported accident occurred when Knight's eastbound van ran a stop sign on a gravel road at Route Y and was struck by a westbound pickup truck driven by Jackie Ray Vincent, 31, of Malden. Vincent's truck then ran off the road and overturned, and Knight was thrown from his vehicle by the impact of the collision.

In addition to the injuries to Knight, Vincent and a passenger in his pickup, Everett Raymond Breuer, 31, of Stoutland, received minor injuries. All three were taken to Missouri Delta Community Hospital at Sikeston.

John Russell Gremillion, 46, of Houston, Tex., received minor injuries in a one-vehicle accident at 10:55 a.m. Wednesday on Interstate 55 two miles south of the Highway 80 interchange.

According to the patrol report, Gremillion apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his southbound car, which ran off the road, struck a small embankment and overturned.

He also was taken to Missouri Delta Community Hospital.

2 men sought for attempted robbery

NEW MADRID — Two white men, one armed with a pistol, are being sought by the New Madrid County sheriff's department for an attempted robbery at 11:10 this morning at the Tom Morlan home on Old Kingshighway.

According to Morlan, the house was thoroughly ransacked by the men who entered the home after telling Morlan's 16-year-old daughter Gayle they were plumbers who had come to fix a leak.

Morlan and his wife were in Tom's Market, a grocery store they operate near the house, at the time of the burglary, and he said it had not been determined if anything was stolen.

Miss Morlan, who was sick and at home alone, said one of the men taped her hands and feet and forced her to lie on the bedroom floor covered with a quilt and pillow as one of the men stood beside her while the other searched the house. She said one of the men threatened to kill her several times if she cried out or attempted to get away.

Miss Morlan said she did not see a car and believed the men left on foot. She described one of the men as 6 feet tall and about 30 years old. She did not get to see the other man because her face was covered with the quilt.

Kiwanis, Junior woman's club endorse bond issue

The Kiwanis Club unanimously endorsed bond issue proposal for a Triangle Industries plant Tuesday night after Clem Beal, a Chamber of Commerce director, stressed the importance of the bond issue being approved in next Tuesday's special election during the club's meeting at Ramada Inn.

Club members were urged to endorse and support the bond issue and to ask their friends and families to do the same.

The Sikeston Junior Woman's Club endorsed the bond issue proposal at its monthly meeting last week and voted to make the improvement of the building one of its federated club projects. The club will take pictures of the building renovation progress as it develops, Mrs. Judy Sickal, club president, said today.

Harvest drops

Cotton left standing in the field because of bad weather helped drop this year's harvest in Missouri to 235,000 bales, 20,000 bales fewer than predicted in November. The yield is also expected to be the smallest per acre since 1967. (Daily Standard photo)

Missouri crop harvest among worst in decade

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — December estimates of Missouri crops show farm harvests rank among the worst in a decade.

Don Barrowman, chief statistician of the Missouri Crop Reporting Service, said Wednesday too much spring rain, a summer drought and extreme heat, and a wet, cold fall combined to make a "poor crop year."

Production grew in a few crops because of increased acreage, but yield per acre dropped in practically all crops.

In small grains such as oats, the yield was 31 bushels per acre on 140,000 acres—the lowest yield since 1962. The harvest is expected to be 4,340,000 bushels, the second lowest on record.

Major crops such as corn, soybeans and sorghum had the same estimates as November, when they were estimated to go substantially below the 1973 production. For example, the corn harvest was estimatedat 156.8 million bushels, the state's second lowest in two decades.

The December figures show the barley harvest at 297,000 bushels, the smallest crop since 1934. Barley has been on a "downtrend for years," Barrowman said, because of decreasing profits compared to other crops.

The December cotton figure showed this year's harvest down to 235,000 bales, 20,000 bales fewer than forecast last month. "The bolls didn't open an come through," Barrowman said. Yield is expected to be 347 pounds per acre, the lowest since 1967.

The winter wheat harvest forecast bucks the trend with an expected harvest of 37.9 million bushels. Last year, the harvest was 25.5 million bushels.

However, the yield on winter wheat should be 29.2 bushels per acre, the lowest since 1965 when the yield was 27.5 bushels.

Rye production would be 170,000 bushels with yield of 17 bushels per acre. Those estimates would make the rye yield the lowest since 1962 and the harvest the lowest since 1933.

December figures estimate rice productions on 14,000 acres at 544,000 hundred-pound bags. The yield per acre would the lowest since 1961. Despite poor harvests, crop farmers are "holding their own" because of increased farm prices, C. R. Johnston, president of Missouri Farm Bureau Federation, said. But he added that many livestock farmers are "going broke" because of lagging livestock prices.

The hardest hit area is the south-central Missouri region where farmers are primarily livestock raisers, he said.

Debts of farmers in the state have gone up 13 per cent over last year, Glen Peterson, the federation marketing director, said. He saidthe $94.8 billion debt this year versus $83.9 billion debt last year indicates inflation has hit the farmers.

Auto industry, union leaders urge tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — Auto industry and union leaders "all supported a proposal for a tax cut" to ease the nation's economic crisis, United Auto Workers President Leonard Woodcock said today after the group met with President Ford for two hours.

Woodcock said there were no specific commitments from the President, but that Ford was highly attentative to the problems of the auto industry as presented at the White House meeting.

Woodcock said he cited the crisis situation affecting the automobile industry and construction industry and dragging down the economy. Woodcock also said he expressed a belief that a five-year pause is needed in automobile emission and safety controls to help get costs down.

As the White House session was ending, the House Rule Committee killed a multibillion-dollar tax bill. The bill would have ended the petroleum depletion allowance and hiked oil industry taxes while cutting taxes for millions of average Americans.

The committee, which serves as the traffic cop for the movement of bills to the House, voted 9 to 4 to refuse to consider the massive measure which the House Ways and Means Committee had recommended after many months of work.

Ford said in a speech here Wednesday night he expects to have new programs to combat the nation's economic problems ready for the new Congress when it convenes Jan. 14. His advisers will be working through the Christmas holiday sto prepare the programs, he said.

Treasury Department sources said the options the President will consider include tax cuts, mandatory fuel allocations, financial aid to troubled industries and additional help for the nation's unemployed.

"This country badly needs an income tax cut," Woodcock told reporters in the White House driveway after the session that was also attended by Michigan's Gov. William Milliken; the state's congressional representatives; the Transportation, Labor, Commerce and Treasury secretaries; Ford's economic advisers, and two top executives each from the big four auto manufacturers — Ford, Chrysler, General Motors and American Motors.

The Wholesale Price Index released today showed a further easing of inflationary pressures in the nonfood area, although the rate still exceeded what the administration wants.

Wholesale prices last month rose 1.2 per cent, less than half the October increase, the government reported. Although the November increase was high by normal standards, the Labor department said wholesale increases over the month were less widespread than in preceding months.

Trends in wholesale prices usually show up at the consumer level eventually, offering hope that the rise in retail prices may soon tail off.

Agriculture prices continued to increase sharply at the wholesale level, but prices of industrial commodities — regarded by economists as a truer measure of inflation — rose at the slowest rate in 13 months. Industrial goods rose nine-tenths of a per cent last month.

Over-all wholesale prices have risen 23.5 per cent in the past 12 months, the biggest year-to-year increase since 1947.

Ford's speech offered few clues about his proposals to the next Congress, but it was clear he has abandoned or changed much of the economic program that he announced Oct. 8 after the economic summit.

"We will meet the changing priorities of present and future realities," Ford told the Business Council, a group of about 100 of the nation's top corporate executives.

Ford said he would support increased spending over what he has proposed previously to help the nation's jobless with extended unemployment benefits and public service jobs.

The Senate is planning to vote soon on a $4 billion emergency public service jobs bill to create about 530,000 jobs in the next year. The House is scheduled to take up an emergency unemployment compensation bill to extend benefits an additional 13 weeks for jobless workers.

He said anti-inflation pressure is building and predicted "inflation will move steadily down from the intolerable double-digit level."

Ford said the nation is not in an economic crisis in the sense that it "demands immediate and drastic action."

House passes majority bills

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—Six bills reducing the legal age in Missouri from 21 to 18 were given final approval by the House today and forwarded to the Senate.

The measures, which all carry a clause making them effective upon the governor's signature, would lower to 18 the age to serve on juries, make real estate and contractural agreements, marry without parental consent, become a notary public and the age at which a legal guardian no longer is necessary.

The House then began what was expected to be lengthy debate on a greatly revised Senate-approved usury bill.

The House was to begin debate today on a greatly revised version of a senate prtposal that would hike the state's 8 per cent ceiling on interest, the lowest in the nation.

Although the bill, revamped in committee earlier in the week, was reported to the full house Wedensday; consideration was delayed because many members indicated they wanted more time to review the proposal.

The measure would set a flat 10 per cent limit on all but corporate loans and a limit of four points on residential real estate transactions. It also includes a provision setting up a five-year period during which penalties can be charged for prepayment of mortgages and raises the small loan limit on which 26 per cent interest can be charged from $500 to $800.

The Senate version, which did not include the small loan portion, took the lid completely off home loans and some others while placing a 10 per cent limit on remaining loans, limited points to two and included a three-year prepayment penalty period.

House leaders had hoped to consolidate the large number of amendments expected to be offered for the committee version before the session began today, but there was reported disagreement among Democrats on several provisions including an expiration date.

Under the proposal, the increased rates would expire Sept. 28, 1977, unless renewed or revised by the legislature, but a special joint committee would investigate usury problems in the state, reporting its findings and recommendations to both houses on March 13, 1976.

Although majority Floor Leader Kenneth Rothman, D-Clayton, said he believed a bill could be finalized in the House today or early Friday, he acknowledged there would probably be differences in the House and Senate versions that would have to be worked out in conference committee.

He said, however, that the work of the special session should be completed by the end of next week.

Mental health project office opens here

The Community Mental Health Project office has opened at 111 Branum St., according to Elizabetyh Ferrell, Outreach worker for Scott County.

The Outreach program offers counseling and mental health services to the general public. The program is free to Scott County residents. People from other counties will be taken if there is room, he said.

Mrs. Ferrell said she may open an office in either Benton or Chaffee in the future.

The office phone number is 471-0800.

A student of the month for each class has been named at East Prairie High School. Turn to...page 15.

The all-state high school football team has been announced including two ends from the SeMo area, Keith Mullens of Kennett and Rich Thurmond of East Prairie. For sports news, turn to...page 13.

A survey of four department stores in Sikeston shows credit card applications are up despite a recessionary period. For women's news, turn to.....page 4.

....and Outside

Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday with little temperature change; low tonight in the low to mid 30s; high Friday around 50; southwest winds 6-12 m.p.h. tonight.

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

Chance of rain or snow about Monday, otherwise clear to partly cloudy; through the weekend; highs in high 30s to low 40s; lows from low 20s to around 30.

HIGH AND LOW

High and low temperatures for the period ending at 7 a.m. today were 44 and 33 degrees. Rain measured .17 inch.

Sunset today .....4:42 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow ...7:03 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow..6:58 a.m.
New Moon tomorrow ....10:25 a.m.

The partial eclipse of the sun taking place at this New Moon begins here.....8:10 a.m. and ends .....10:52 a.m.

During this period the moon is passing directly in front of the sun. (NEVER LOOK DIRECTLY AT THE SUN)!!

Daily Standard wins Blue Ribbon designation

WASHINGTON, D.C.--The Daily Standard has been designated a "National Blue Ribbon Newspaper" for 1975 by the National Editorial Foundation, Washington, D.C. This is the third consecutive year The Daily Standard has received Blue Ribbon rating.

In announcing the designation, Foundation President Paul D. Coffman, newspaper publisher from Melrose Park, Illinois noted that the Daily Standard was one of 306 newspapers to achieve this designation in a nationwide program out of 400 newspapers submitted for evaluation. Twenty-five criteria, measuring the newspaper's service to its community against a national standard, were employed in the evaluation. Publishers whose newspapers are recognized for their over-all excellence, or who had previously been accorded the Foundation's Blue Ribbon designation, participated in the judging.

Overall, larger circulation newspapers fared better than smaller ones, and dailies were more successful than weeklies percentage-wise, although many more weeklies participated.

While only 63.8 per cent of weeklies of up to 2,500 circulation received Blue Ribbons, 99 per cent of those with circulation in excess of 20,000 received the coveted designation. Of weeklies with 2,501-5,000 circulation, 71.3 per cent received the Blue Ribbon and 93.3 per cent of those between

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Pay hike recommended for legislators

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—Increasing legislators' pay from $8,400 to $10,500 a year, reducing the House from 163 to 125 representatives and adding a 35th senator are among more than 100 recommendations by a citizens advisory committee.

The recommendations now go to a legislative committee on modernization of the Missouri Legislature. The citizens' committee will continue to work on legislative reform and a resolution has been prepared to extend the life of the committee. Several thousand copies of a final report will be printed.

Among other major proposals recommended after an all-day meeting Wednesday were:

Rohibition of any gifts, even food and drink, to lawmakers.

Prohibition against any legislator from practicing befor any state regulatory agency while he is in office.

Removing the lieutenant governor from the Senate.

Lowering the minimum age for legislators to 21. It now is 30 for senators and 24 for representatives.

Proportional representation by the minority party on all committees, and a requirement that the conference committees representing each house represent the majority viewpoint of the house on a particular bill.

The committee also recommended revamping the staff support divisions of the legislature to include an evaluation and review committee to monitor laws passed in previous years to see that they are enforced, and setting up a legal services section.

Ale recommended were reducing the size and number of committees, and expanding the meeting time to 100 legislative days to be worked anytime in one year.

This could result in annual sessions, depending on how many days the legislature chooses to meet as a body during the week.

The present requirement is 90 legislative days in odd-numbered years,to be covered from January to June 15.

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Thursday, December 12 — 1923-Sigmund Freud cuts record, The Impossible Dream.

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POOR CHARLIE SAYS!

Beyond the Alps lies Italy, and lest we forget, behind the billboards lies America.

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THE SECRECY ISSUE

The recent overwhelming vote by Congress to override President's Ford's veto of amendments to the Freedom of Information Act was a stunning blow to the White House. At the same time, it was a classic victory for the people's right to know what their government is up to.

President Ford cited three primary reasons for his veto: (1) a provision authorizing Federal judges to examine agency records to see if they can properly be withheld could endanger our diplomatic relations and defense secrets; (2) the bill would permit access to sensitive law enforcement investigation files; and (3) the time limit for agencies to respond to requests for information are "unreasonable."

Proponents of the bill, however, note that its 17 amendments were hammered out in a bipartisan fashion over three years. They contend that the legislation has been carefully drafted to exempt materials that logically should be kept secret, including legitimate national defense information.

"I believe that this bill does protect those lawful sensitive areas of government," said conservative Rep. John Rousselot (R-Calif.). Many other members of Congress also respected for their mature judgment likewise believe the amendments provide necessary safeguards for legitimate national secrets. They argue convincingly that it is needed to force government officials to abide by the provisions of the original Freedom of Information Act passed in 1966. Examples of bureaucratic thwarting of public access to information under the ACT abound.

While feeling some nervousness over the new arrangement as it affects national security information, we believe on balance the bill is a good one. Our citizens must be given the opportunity to view the work of their government wherever it will not threaten the real national interest.

A prime lesson from Watergate is that too often the mistakes and even illegality of our government have been hidden under the stamp of secrecy. Although there is a danger of now overreacting and permitting too much access to federal l files, we believe it is a danger that our democracy must risk.

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It is time to remind the American people that on Nov. 23, 1923, the German mark reached the horrifying level of 4.2 trillion paper marks to the dollar.

That was on the last day of Germany's siege of inflation" following World War I.

Commodity prices were up 35 times, and the entire mortgage indebtedness of the German people was wiped out.

Financial Wizard Dr. Hjalmar Schacht ended the nightmare by creating new money administered by an autonomous national bank.

That couldn't happen today, but let's don't push our luck by following the wrong leaders in Congress and State Legislature who ask for our votes.

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What has become of the old-fashioned man who never let the fire in the base burner go out until the cat washed its face out of doors?

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FBI Director Clarence Kelley expressed grave concern recently over a sharp increase in Soviet bloc espionage. There are now 943 Soviet "diplomats" in the U.S. --an increase of 142 over the previous year and 240 in the last four years. A "substantial proportion" of the 943 have been identified as intelligence operatives, Kelly said.

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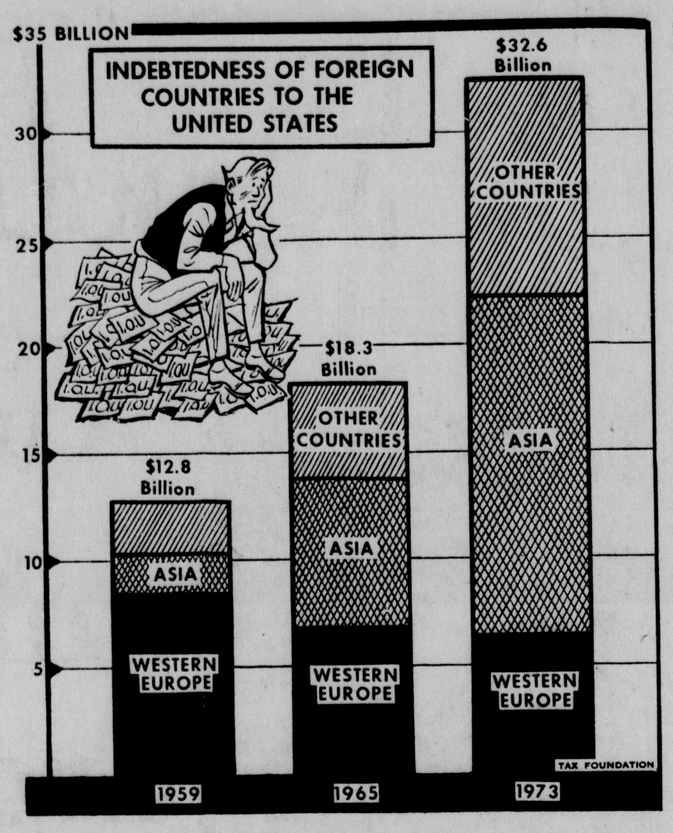
Frank Ferrell, the Mayor of Sikeston says you can flatter any man by telling him he's the kind of man who can't be flattered.



Indebtedness of other nations to the U.S. increased 155 percent between fiscal 1959 and 1973, Tax Foundation, Inc. shows in its forthcoming 18th edition of *Facts and Figures on Government Finance*. "'Other Countries" includes Latin America, $6.1 billion in 1973; Eastern Europe, $1.3 billion; Africa, $2.3 billion. While these areas increased their U.S. debt, Western European nations reduced total obligations.

TOMORROW
DECEMBER 13 — FRIDAY
FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH. Dec. 13

SWEDEN: ST. LUCIA'S DAY. Dec. 13

HEINRICH HEINE'S BIRTHDAY. Dec. 13. German author, born, Dusseldorf, Dec. 13, 1797. Died, Paris, Feb. 17, 1856.

PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN. Dec. 13. Maximum eclipse visible in western and north central North America, but some effects will be observable throughout most of North America.

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Possible Questions Relating To The Triangle Industrial Revenue and G. O. Bond Issue.

5. How many non-manufacturing jobs will this company's location in Sikeston create?

Based on national estimates prepared by the Chamber of Commerce shows that for every 125 new manufacturing jobs there will mean: 438 more people, 98 more school children, $1,300,000 personal income more per year, 121 more families, $613,000 more bank deposits, 1.25 more retail establishment, 85 more employed in manufacturing jobs, $706,000 more retail sales per year. In addition to those numbers, Triangle Conduit and Cable Corporation will have 100 rail cars per month and 8,500 truck loads of material shipped per year.

6. How much is the bond issue for?

$1,200,000 is proposed in the form of Revenue bond issue and $750,00 in General Obligation bond issue. The bond issues will not cost Sikeston residents more in taxes as Triangle Conduit and Cable Corporation will be responsible for retiring the bonds.

THE ENVIRONMENT
AND
PRICE CONTROL

With the nation plunging into a morass of controversy over wage and price controls, the public has suddenly found a new interest on which to center it s attention -- and just as if somebody had switched off a searchlight, the actors performing on the stage of ecology and the environment have been left in the dark.

This does not mean that the issues of environmental preservation are any less pressing or authentic. What it does mean ist hat we may have passed through the era of environmental faddism. Headline hunting, political crusaders have found another horse to ride, at least for the time being. The odds are good that the battle of controls, which is far closer to the immediate pocketbook interest of consumers, will be a star attraction for sometime to come. the question is: Will the new preoccupation with hiding inflation by fiat make allowance forthe costs of advancing and applying the technology of pollution abatment. Environmental extremism was always a luxury as are most fads, but genuine long-range environmental programs are a necessity. Long after the issue has left the headlines, major industries are bound, by law and a sense of moral responsibility, to move ahead as rapidly as possible toward land, air and water conservation.

The price tag on these efforts will be high, both for the public and the industries involved. How will the bureaucracy that must be called upon to enforce wage and price controls view the environment issue when it is no longer in the spotlight as a public fad? Will the billions of dollars spent for research in the development of pollution-free autos, power plants, oil refineries and manufacturing concerns of all kinds be recognized as a necessary business expense that must be passed on to consumers in higher prices?

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IT'S YOUR TAXES
THEY'RE SPENDING

The House Administration Committee, one of Capitol Hill's least noticed panels, has quitely given all 435 congressmen a pre-election bonus.

By a vote of 17 to 5, the committee hiked the members' "stationery allowance" by $2,250, or 53 per cent. This money can be used for office supplies or can be pocketed, instead, as personal income.

The committee action was denounced by Rep. William L. Dickinson (R.-Ala.) as a "ripoff" of the taxpayers. Committee Chairman Wayne L. Hays (D-Ohio) shrugged off Dickinson's comments as those of a politician searching for a popular issue.

The fact of the matter -- as the Los Angeles Times spelled out recently -- is that the House has pushed through $9,280 in increased allowances in virtual secrecy this year. No votes of the full House were taken on any of these raises.

This means that every congressman now boasts $25,840 in assorted "expense allowances," up 56 per cent from last year's $16,560. For all 435 members, the increase exceeds $4 million.

The expense allowances are in addition to other fringe benefits available to members of Congress, including subsidized life and health insurance, cutrate barber shops and beauty parlors, subsidized dining facilities, free plants form the U.S. Botanic Gardens, and gratis gym facilities.

Members of Congress also receive a special tax break allowing them to deduct from income $3,000 for "living expenses" while in Washington. The Times reported that the House Ways and Means Committee has tentatively approved a measure that would boost the deduction to more than $7,500. That's the powerful committee chaired by Arkansas' Wilbur Mills who needs more spending money for champagne and go-go dancers.

Maybe you don't agree with us that we need an "anti-inflation" Congress instead of a "veto-proof" Congress, but it is time we call a spade a spade about lawmakers lining their pockets.

A fellow who owned a ranch in the cattle country was thrown from his horse and rushed to the hospital. A few days later one friend of his asked another: "Did old Hank finally get all right?"

"No," was the reply. "He ain't all right, but he's back like he used to be."

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NUCLEAR WITH HUNT

Astounding tales of primitive superstition, from witch burning in New England to Indian folklore of the West, are usually received by the sophisticates of today with a sort of "it couldn't have happened" disbelief. Yet, in recent years, the same sort of black superstition has been exhibited in much of the unreasoning opposition to nuclear power development.

The Honorable Craig Hosmer, U.S. Representative from California and a member of the Congressional Joint Committee on Atomic Energy has spiked the guns of the atomic withcraft cult with facts that will make sense to most people. "Fact 1: The Atomic Energy Commission, the Joint Committee, and the nuclear industry have demanded and achieved a level of public safety never before attained in any industry, at anytime, at anyplace. Fact 2: The procedures and protections developed and enforced by the AEC are such that atomic energy is recognized by the National Safety Council as one of the safest fields in American industry. Fact 3: We have been designing, building, and operating commercial nuclear power plants in this country for 17 years, and no member of the public has ever been killed or even injured as a result....Fact 4 Malfunctions and breakdowns have occurred in nuclear plants--just as they occur in any industrial operation--but built-in, in-depth safety features have prevented harm from happening either to the public or to atomic industrial workers. Fact 5: In its radiation control systems, AEC has developed the world's first comprehensive and effective environmental protection program. As a result, there is more detailed scientific knowledge about radiation than any other environmental pollutant."

In the opinion of Congressman Hosmer, 25 years of experience with atomic energy has shown that it is "...safer than going to church, particularly if you drive your car."

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ACCIDENT

A zipper opened wide its mouth,
Bared its teeth and bit its tongue...

Visit Sheridan Square, where you can trip and fall, and make $30 before you can get up!

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THERE'S USUALLY A WAY IF YOU LOOK FOR IT

Two men faced with financial disaster solved their problem this way:

The first man, a service station owner in a midwestern city, was suffering a decided loss in business to his competitors because they were giving away trading stamps which were unavailable to him. The stamp franchises had already been spoken for before he came on the scene.

To offset this disadvantage he began giving away U.S. postage stamps, equivalent in value to what the customer would normally receive in trading stmps. He advertised that his stamps did not have to be pasted in a book, did not have to be exchanged for merchandise, and that they increased in value the longer you held them.

He had to hire extra hands to help take care of the increase in trade.

The second man, a contractor, was about to miss his completion deadlines and lose his contract because of the slow pace of his workmen on a construction project. They were being paid by the day to haul dirt via wheelbarrows to a land-fill site.

After figuring out what each wheelboarrow load was worth, he decided to pay by piecework. He instructed his foreman to stand at the dump with a supply of cash. The men would be paid on the spot for each load delivered.

The pace suddenly picked up and the job was finished in half the time alloted for it-at considerable savings-with the workmen earning more than on a daily schedule.

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NO LENIENCY FOR THE WATERGATE JURY

The 12 men and women who will constitute the jury in the Watergate coverup trial currently in progress in Washington, DC., face the prospect of being sequestered for as long as several months.

However long the trial takes, each night they will be locked up in their hotel rooms and denied access to radio, television and newspapers, and even private visits from family and friends, lest they be influenced by other than the evidence presented in court. Their only communication with the outside world will be through or in the presence of their guards and court officials.

This will actually amount to a more severe and possibly longer confinement than has been handed out to some of the lesser figures convicted in previous Watergate cases, some of whom were sentenced to spend a few months in the easy atmosphere of "minimum security" prisons where the only restriction on them was that they could not leave the grounds.

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". . .The greatest danger facing our system of free, private, competitive enterprise is the refusal of too many in the business community today to face the mounting evidence of a new passion for governmental regulation and control. This is passion that threatens not only our traditional way of doing business, but the economic well-being of the American people."

—Sen James L. Buckley
(R-Con.-N.Y.)

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WIPED OUT IN SAFETY

Stringent new laws concerning product safety are being proposed in Congress under the label of consumer protection. This concern with safety along with that over the "quality of life," which is becoming something of a shop-worn phrase, acquires an "Alice In Wonderland" flavor when compared to some of the stark headlines dealing with the state of world affairs.

For example, while Congress worries about the housewife getting her finger caught in a wringer, an AP dispatch from London reports that the Soviet Union now has almost 45 percent more land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles than the united States--1,510, in contrast with 1,054 for the United States.

The AP dispatch also reports that while the West retains superiority at sea, "the Soviet fleets are now able to offer a challenge at every level." Without a doubt, the United States stands a good chance of achieving the record of being the "safest" nation ever to have been wiped out in a nuclear holocaust.

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The young newly-weds had just finished dinner and began dessert.

Groom: "Dear, there's something wrong with this cake. It doesn't taste right."

Bride: "That's just your imagination. The cookbook says it's delicious."

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Betcha Didn't Know...

"etc." is something you use to claim you know more than you really do.

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"I hear your sister is sick in bed, Johnny," remarked a neighbor. "Nothing serious I hope."

"Oh, no," answered Johnny. "We were just playing a game to see who could lean the farthest out the window, and she won."

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WHAT WOULD COLUMBUS THINK?

If Christopher Columbus had discovered the New World as it is today, what would have been his impressions?

We honor Columbus each year not only because he discovered America but also because of the sterling qualities he showed in an age of disbelief. Without his initiative, perseverence, determination, deep sense of responsibility, ingenuity and self-reliance he would not have dared to cross the uncharted Atlantic Ocean.

These very qualities of character would temper his judgment of America. Undoubtedly he would see the terrible smog over our metropolitan areas. He could not help but observe the squalid slums, the prejudice and discrimination and the overwhelming burden of government that have become major problems.

But we think Columbus would have been more impressed with America's competitive enterprise system. He would find this to be the greatest economic way of life ever developed, one which turned a primitive land into an industrial giant within a few hundred years.

He would note that industry has provided more than 80 million jobs, with the labor force growing every year. He would note that this country has the highest standard of living. For instance, an American needs to work only 15 minutes to pay for a pound of roast beef, while it would take a Japanese 116 hours and a German 36 hours. This, Columbus would find, is the result of higher levels of productivity stemming mainly from more advanced technology and more investment in capital equipment.

Columbus would marvel at our cars and highways, planes and airports, our recreational facilities and universities-largely built by free enterprise or by the tax money that system generates.

Yes, if Columbus had discovered America as it is today, he would have sent his ship back to Spain to get Ferdinand and Isabella.

Art Buchwald

THE GREAT PLOWSHARE TREATY

WASHINGTON — It is written in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah that the Lord promised the people that,"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

It never really happened and I have in my possession a Dead Sea Scroll which tells why.

At one time the Philistines and Judah signed a disarmament pact limiting the number of swords and spears. When the King of Judah brought the treaty back to his people, there was joy in the land.

"Does this mean we will not have to spend gold for arms?" they asked.

"It means no such thing," the king replied. "We will, in fact, have to spend more gold than ever."

"But," a scribe asked the king, "if we have a treaty with the Philistines, why do we have to spend more gold for armaments?"

"Because if we have to beat our swords into plowshares and our spears into pruning hooks, we must develop new weapons to oppose the Philistines," the King of Judah replied. "Thiswill involve a sizable investment in research of rock-throwing machines and armored donkeys, which as you know are not covered by the treaty. We cannot allow our agreement with the Philistines to put us at a military disadvantage."

"Sire," another scribe said, "does the agreement mean that (ital) all (unital) swords will be beaten into plowshares and (ital) all (unital) spears into pruning hooks?"

"No, it doesn't. It means that both sides may keep the swords they now have and increase their spear carriers to 2,400. The Philistines, as you know, have superiority in the weight of their spears, but our throwers are twice as accurate. We have more than enough to repulse any first-strike attack, but we're still weak in conventional weapons such as sticks and large stones."

"How can we be sure that the Philistines will not put more than one head on their spears?" a scribe asked.

"While the treaty does not limit the number of heads you can put on a spear," the king replied, "it does limit the number of carriers to throw them. This is the first time the Philistines have even been willing to discuss putting a stop to the spear race."

"What is to prevent the Philistines from beating their swords into plowshares and then attacking us with the plowshares?"

"At this time we have a three-to-one plowshare advantage over the Philistines.

"Our defense people have asked for an extra ton of gold to finance an anti-plowshare system which could detect the deployment of any new plowshares by the Philistines. They also are asking in their budget for a new sailing vessel capable of launching fireballs against a Philistine boat at 30 feet. This will make up for any loss we will suffer in not being permitted to make new swords. I shall make these requests to the council in my State of the Kingdom message next week."

"Sire, forgive me for saying this, but we don't seem any closer to peace with the Philistines than we were before the plowshare treaty. Could you tell us what we gained from it?"

"The Philistines have agreed to buy all our wheat crops until 23 BC."

Washington-Merry-Go-Round

Jack Anderson

JACK ANDERSON SAYS: The Government Lobbyists: Taxpayers Pay to be Plucked

WASHINGTON — We have counted at least 600 government lobbyists whose duty is to squeeze more money out of the taxpayers.

To the best of our estimate, they draw $15 million in salaries each year from the taxpayers who, thereby, pay to be plucked.

Every federal agency, which hopes to get a share of the government gravy, has its own lobbyists on Capitol Hill buttering up congressmen.

The Pentagon, for example, keeps separate offices on the Hill for each of the armed services. This million-dollar lobbying operation employs 50 people.

The Environmental Protection Agency, a new bureaucratic offshoot scrambling for its place in the appropriations draw, has hastily recruited 41 people to impress its needs upon Congress. The annual lobbying budget has not reached $944,000.

The State Department has 25 people courting congressmen, with a budget just under $600,000. The Health, Education and Welfare Department has a total liaison force of 20, which costs the taxpayers $911,000 a year.

The White House also has a branch office on Capitol Hill, staffed by 12 lobbyists. The Central Intelligence Agency has six lobbyists prowling the corridors of Congress.

Even the antipoverty program, which has fallen on hard times, still scrapes together $152,000 a year for a 10-man lobbying unit. The government lobbyists, in return for congressional favors, pamper members of Congress outrageously.

The State Department's liaison staff, for example, serves as a travel bureau for congressmen who like to travel abroad. Urgent cables go out from the liaison office notifying U.S. embassies that Sen. Vance Hartke, D-Ind., needs hotel reservations in Ceylon, that Sen. James Abourezk, D-S.D., is a vegetarian, that Rep. Ed Hutchinson, R-Mich., wants tickets forthe opera "Aida" in Austria.

American diplomats around the world are pressed into service as luggage carriers and tour guides for the tourists from Capitol Hill.

Presidential lobbyists arrange special White House tours, at the request of congressmen, for favored constitutents. The National Gallery provides reproductions of its famous masterpieces to decorate congressional offices. The National Park Service offers scenic photographs through it liaison office. And the CIA's lobbying team delivers copies of foreign news broadcasts to members of Congress who are mentioned in them.

Perhaps the most resourceful lobbying of all has been achieved by the armed services, which use the congressmen themselves. They are simply commissioned in the reserves and taken on active-duty tours of such pleasure spots as Paris, London, Rome, Tokyo, Hong Kong and Honolulu.

Government agencies also help congressmen answer their mail. Letters that are routed to the bureaucracy through congressional offices are especially marked, acknowledged within 24 hours and, meanwhile, reviewed by as many as a dozen nervous bureaucrats.

The Social Security Administration, for example, receives photocopies of letters from Capitol Hill and rushes them to the "congressional correspondence unit" in Baltimore. This special mail group is staffed by 240 civil servants.

The Veterans Administration employs 14 government workers to handle veterans casework that is referred by congressional offices.

Other agencies help congressmen get local publicity by advising them in advance of federal expenditures in their districts. This advance warning system permits the congressmen to "announce" the federal grant or contract award to the press, thus gaining credit for securing federal money that they likely had nothing to do with.

HEW, for example, has a special "grants notification unit," which keeps four full-time workers busy tipping off congressmen.

On Capitol Hill, legislation is shaped as much by the public debates. These less visible forces are constantly applied by lawyers and lobbyists, fixers and expediters.

The most effective of all probably are the government lobbyists.

WATCH ON WASTE: While Social Security applicants shiver and starve, the judges who sit on their cases fly to Puerto Rico at the taxpayers expense for vacations in the sun. Here's how they work it:

Puerto Rico is short of the administrative Law Judges who handle Social Security cases. Judges from the North, therefore, junket to San Juan to spend a few hours in court. Then they head for the beaches and the bistros.

Most of the cases involve poor, Spanish-speaking Puerto Ricans. Since the mainland judges don't usually speak Spanish, the taxpayers not only must pay their air fares and hotel bills but also the cost of interpreters.

It would be cheaper, of curse, to hire another judge for Puerto Rico. But this would put an end to Social Security junketing.

Inside Labor

Victor Riesel

Capture Themselves: Is Meany Preparing for 1976 Political Neutrality -- Again?

WASHINGTON -- It should be reported that on the morning after the Kansas City mini-convention adjourned, the sentiment in the upper reaches of labor's national headquarters here was that there "is no such thing as a national Democratic party.';'

It was all said quite nonchalantly, in matter of fact tones. Meany's labor machine just didn't have the votes to dent the black-McGovern-sundry minorities coalition which worked up a Missouri compromise that in labor's headquarters meant that the quota system still ruled the party and its national convention delegate selection system.

"We're against quotas," said a Meany intimate. "We always have been. We always will be. We don't believe a party should choose its leaders on the basis of their being a black, a Jew, an Italian, a Catholic -- rather it should be leadership talent and we're not about to start listing our people by race, color or creed."

The point was made incisively that "we are not the official labor arm of the Democratic Party."

I gathered I was being told that so far as the eighth-floor (AFL-CIO president George Meany's executive suite) was concerned, the Democratic party was on its own. The McGovern bloc led by the little known Al Baron could claim victory at Kansas City -- but not unity. And for the moment this was hardly as important as the AFL-CIO's intense campaign to defeat the Ford-Kissinger-Jackson Soviet-favoring international trade bill. Long letters have been dispatched by chief AFL-CIO lobbyist Andy Biemiller to all Senators.

The mini-convention, which in the mind of the Meany forces had "Europeanized" the Democratic party, was about as important as the football game for which the delegates adjourned in time for the kickoff.

There are national, indeed international, implications in all this. Question is: will this be a repetition of the 1970-72 feud between the Meany forces which hung loose and neutral in '72, and the Democratic party's pro-McGovern "Labor Progressive Caucus"? If so, can a Democratic ticket, nominated by a quota dominated national convention, defeat even a post-Watergate Republican slate without the support of the forces led by AFL-CIO President George Meany and his rueful perpetual motion political Committee on Political Education (COPE) director Al Barkan?

It must be pointed out that Barkan is no power broker as he was dubbed by professional political journalists. He is Meany's spokesman. And George Meany is the American labor movement's envoy to Washington, ambassador to the White House and virtually one-man liaison with the President of the U.S.

Meany's cigar is no magic wand. His power springs from the majority votes he controls on the AFL-CIO Executive Council. Without it even he would have to step aside. He gets those commanding votes because he delivers, because he actually speaks for a goodly number of this high command.

Politically he doesn't, of course, speak for the Labor Progressive Caucus members, the militants such as municipal employes leader Jerry Wurf, or for some of the old CIO union's chiefs. But in the high labor council they are a minority. They fought fiercely and skillfully for George McGovern in 1972. But they lost all but one state when Meany and his coalition, some of them hard hats, some of them intellectuals indeed, abandoned the South Dakotan. And it was Ted Kennedy who at the last minute in Miami ('72) actually telephoned Meany and offered to buck McGovern for the nomination (who delivered to the Democrats their lone victorious state, Massachusetts).

It was the quota system which defeated the labor people at "Miami." There still is a quota system. In a sense it kept such men as the AFL-CIO's agile political Pennsylvania chief Mike Johnson from being a delegate to the mini-convention. Also the influential Ziggy Arywitz, long labor political power in California.

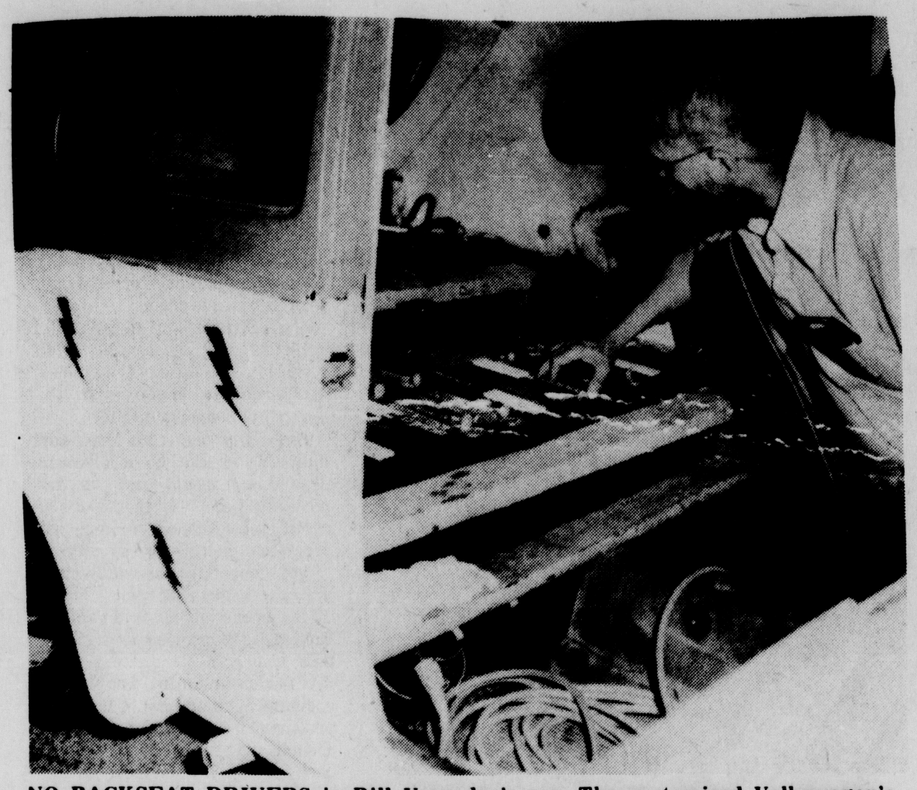
Johnson was defeated because he backed a Republican, Sen. Richard Schweiker, for reelection. Arywitz also supported a Republican.

There is a quota system now, too, through it's called "affirmative action." This will be interpreted along the line of the civil rights yardstick in industry. This will mean the Meany-COPE coalition will have mighty little influence at the '76 Democratic nominating convention.

What then will happen when the candidates come, political hat in hand for labor's money, manpower and instant political campaign machinery?

They may well find Meany and colleagues neutral again. And it will be seen whether a Democratic ticket can be elected without the full support of all of labor, all of its political funds and its working class cloak.

The mini-convention may well have voted for Jerry Ford.



NO BACKSEAT DRIVERS in Bill Vernedoe's car. The customized Volkswagen's backseat is occupied by 10 90-ampere lead acid batteries that power the "lightning bug" as he calls it. Vernedoe, an employe at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Alabama, uses a 27-horsepower electric motor which puts out a top speed of 50 m.p.h. The car can cover 40 miles between recharges.

Israeli jets stage air raid

By The Associated Press

Israeli jets bombed a suspected Palestinian commando training site on the southern edge of Beirut today less than 24 hours after a terrorist set off grenades in a Tel Aviv movie theater, killing himself, an Israeli woman and a British engineer and wounding 58 others.

Beirut airport was closed to all incoming and outgoing flights. Casualties in the air raids were not known, and there was no immediate comment from the Israeli command.

But an informed Israeli source in Tel Aviv said: "The target area in the Beirut raid is a PLO training installation. We have every reason to believe that it was where the planning for the cinema raid was carried out. It is a center for special operations of a very delicate and sensitive nature."

At least four Israeli jets flew over the Lebanese capital dropping bombs on several camps shorly after 3 p.m. — 9 a.m. EST. Smoke rose over the camps as air raid sirens wailed throughout Beirut.

The jets dipped low over the city as they made at least two bombing passes. Witnesses said the major camps of Sabra and Shatilla and the smaller Tal Zaatar camp near the Beirut airport took hits.

Residents at another camp, Bourj el Barajneh, said they were not hit but that guerrillas fired antiaircraft rockets at the attacking jets.

The proguerrilla newspaper Al Moharrer quoted Yasir Arafat, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization, as claiming responsibility for the Tel Aviv movie attack Wednesday night.

"This is a retaliation in kind for the Beirut operation," he was quoted as saying, referring to rocket attacks Tuesday on three PLO offices in Beirut that caused heavy damage and slightly injured five persons. "We have struck back. Next time it would be within six hours if Israel dares to stage another operation against us."

But the Marxist Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which opposes Arafat's leadership on grounds it is not tough enough, also claimed responsibility for the theater attack.

What the tavern juke box needs is a selection that buys three minutes of silence.

A fine sense of touch is what the office mooch has.

Immunity offered for information

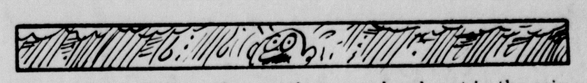
KANSAS CITY (AP)—A Kansas City banker under indictment for allegedly making illegal political contributions says he was offered immunity in return for information about corruption in Missouri state government involving Democratic party leaders.

The allegation was made Wednesday in a brief filed in federal court by Alexander Barket, suspended president and chairman of the Civic Plaza National Bank, who faces trial on two charges of illegal contributions with bank funds. He was suspended from the post after he was indicted.

Barket's lawyer, Veryl L. Riddle of St. Louis, alleged that U.S. Atty. Bert C. Hurn "desired to obtain information he believed Barket possessed concerning alleged corruption in Missouri state government by elected officials and Missouri Democratic party officials."

Riddle said Hurn suggested the prospect of immunity in exchange for such information. Riddle said he told Hurn that Barket did not have the information and Hurn then got a federal grand jury to indict Barket.

Barket was an early supporter of Warren E. Hearnes, who was elected in 1964 to the first of two terms as governor.



Some people believe that getting your head wet in the rain on May Day prevents headache for a year.

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FRIED CHICKEN
With lima beans & oven brown potatoes. $1.95
THESE INCLUDE TOSSED SALAD COFFEE OR TEA, HOT ROLLS & BUTTER.

Carter sets forth platform for presidential candidacy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gov. Jimmy Carter of Georgia set forth a platform for his presidential candidacy today and called for "new leadership and new ideas" to bridge the gulf between the American people and their government.

Carter outlined a broad agenda of governmental reforms in a speech at the National Press Club here. He planned to announce his candidacy formally later today at a rally in Atlanta.

"To begin with, the confidence of people in our own government must be restored," Carter said. "But too many officials do not deserve that confidence."

He called for "an all-inclusive sunshine law in Washington" to open to public scrutiny most governmental meetings, urged full financial disclosure by all federal officials and called for "a drastic and thorough revision of the federal bureaucracy."

In an interview before his two appearances, Carter, who is considered a distinct longshot for the Democratic presidential nomination, said he thought his chances "excellent" and declared, "I'm in the race to stay."

He joins Rep. Morris K. Udall of Arizona as an active candidate in a Democratic presidential field expected to swell considerably before the first primary in New Hampshire in March 1976.

In his speech, Carter said "political leaders have been isolated from the people and "have made decisions from an ivory tower.

"Now is the time for this chasm between people and government to be bridged, and for American citizens to join in shaping our nation's future."

He urged these specific steps:

—Open all meetings of regulatory agencies, executive departments and congressional committees to the public "except in a few rare cases."

—Prohibit all gifts to public officials.

—Disclosure of all business involvements of major government officials.

—Personnel of regulatory agencies should be barred for four years from joining the industry they regulate.

—Public financing of congressional campaigns.

—Tighter controls on lobbyists.

—Appearance by Cabinet members before the full House and Senate to answer questions about their departments.

Grading system may go unchanged

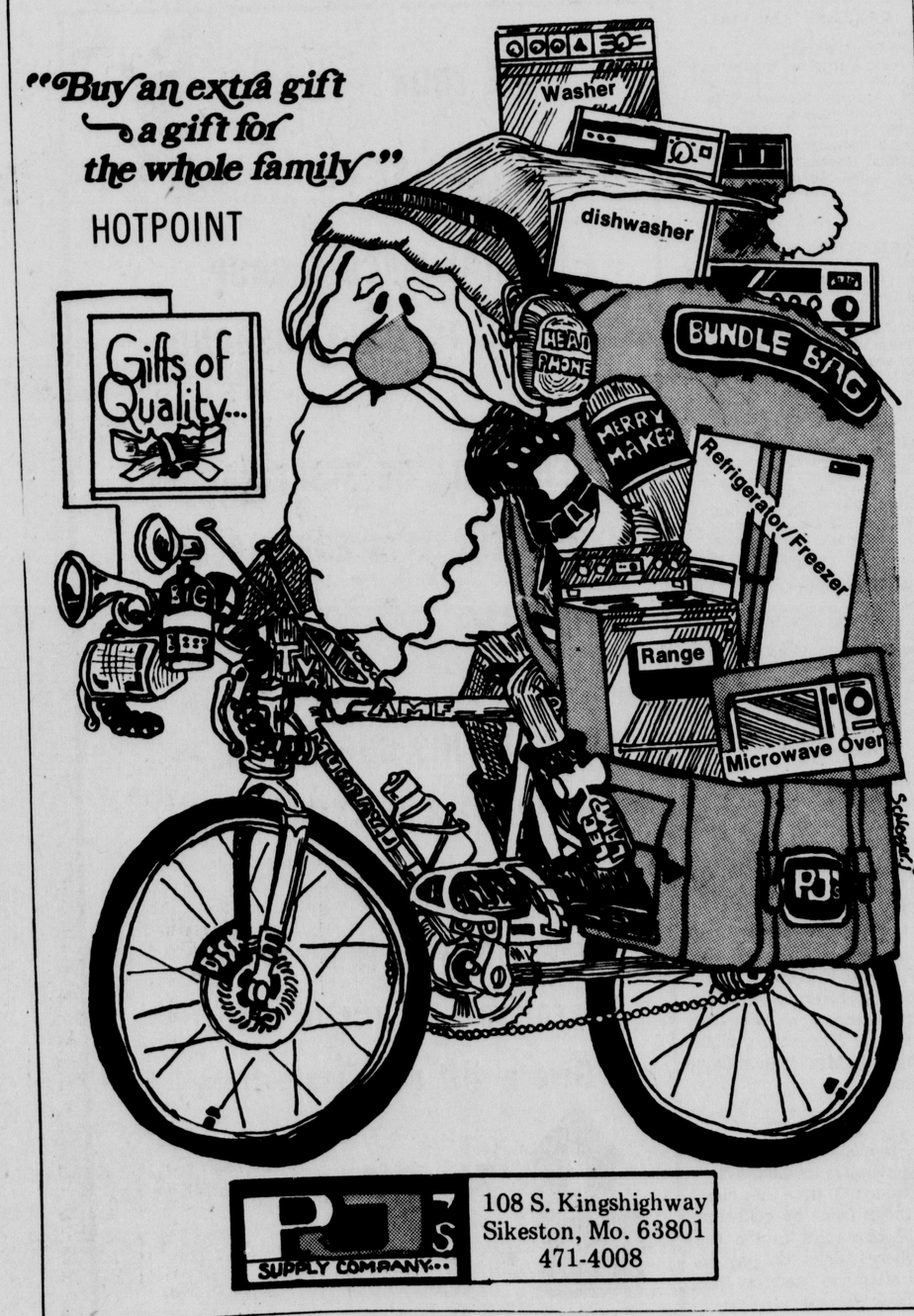
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department is reconsidering its plans to change the beef grading system in the wake of an unprecedented outpouring of mail from consumers.

The grading system is best known to consumers by labels on supermarket meat designating cuts as prime, choice or good, the top three classifications.

The proposed change would allow some younger cattle now graded good to be graded in the choice category as part of a move intended to reflect new developments in cattle breeding and feeding. Consumer advocates say the change will mean shoppers will pay choice prices for good meat.

The Agriculture Department had received some 3,000 letters on the proposed change by Tuesday, with many more expected. Sources said the response has prompted serious talk within the department.

IT'S CHRISTMAS AT RJ's SUPPLY CO.



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Women's Page

Meetings

TUESDAY

HB Chapter of P.E.O. will hold its annual Christmas party 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Joe McCord, 33 Green Meadows.

THURSDAY

The annual Sikeston Ministerial Alliance Christmas luncheon will be held at noon at the Murray Lane Baptist Church.

FRIDAY

The Scott County Central High School band and chorus will present a Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. in the school gym. There will be no admission charge.

MONDAY

The Sikeston Hospital Auxiliary will hold its banquet at 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn for members only and candy stripers.

Births

CARRIER — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carrier of Bridgeton are parents of their third child, a son born Nov. 12 at . . Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis. The boy weighed five pounds 12 ounces and has been named Brett Alan.

Mrs. Carrier is former Lois McFerron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Madge McFerron of Bloomfield. Carrier is employed by McDonnell Douglas Aircraft in St. Louis and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carrier of Aquilla.

FRIDAY'S MENU

BOWL OF HOT SOUP, SALTINES 45c

FRIED FILLET OF FISH DINNER
tartar sauce, lemon wedge, choice of two vegetables, roll or bread — 1.45

1. **BAKED MACARONI AND CHEESE** tossed salad and roll 1.19

3. **CHICKEN FRIED STEAK** on bun . . . . . .95¢

HOT SANDWICHES

#100 **HOT ROAST TURKEY,** cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy 1.25

#101 **HOT ROAST BEEF,** mashed potatoes, rich brown gravy 1.25

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Pine trees to glow moderately

"Christmas trees may
glow this year
In homes across the nation,
But energy's still
in short supply
So, "glow" -- in moderation!"

If the Federal Energy Administration were poetically inclined, its 1974 holiday-season policy might be summed up in those words. Holiday lighting almost disappeared last year at the height of the fuel crisis. Now, it's back, even though everything from fresh-cut Christmas trees to the electricity consumed by holiday lights will cost more, and "moderation" is the official stance of the FEA.

What this means to your holiday decoration plans is an increasing emphasis on low-wattage holiday lighting; tree lights that are cooler, smaller or fewer (or all three); and simply turning off one type of holiday lighting when using another.

Since the traditional Christmas tree is nearly always the focal point of holiday lighting, the FEA's "moderation" policy also places much more emphasis on selecting a well-formed, fresh tree, whether fir, spruce or pine family.

No longer should you expect to "mask" irregularities in your tree (missing branches, less-than-perfect geometric shape, etc.) with lights or decorations. And, with more of the tree seen more often during the holidays, you'll want to keep it as fresh as possible -- and those pesky evergreen needles off the floor. Here are some "do's" and "don'ts" that will help:

Do test for freshness before selecting a tree by bending the needles to see if they're pliant. Also, a fresh tree will hold its needles if you gently tap it on the ground.

Don't wait for clotted resins to form at the base of the tree and block it from absorbing water. To prevent this, immediately saw off about one inch on the diagonal from the tree trunk.

Do place the tree in a bucket of water mixed with Prolong live-cut Christmas tree preserver. Remember to change the water often using the same ratio of one capful to each eight ounces (one cup) of water.

Don't place the tree near a heat source which may cause it to dry out. And, make sure it's secure in its water-holding stand.

Do enjoy your beautiful, fresh, live-cut tree all through the holiday season.

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The University of Missouri-St. Louis "Urban and Industrial Manuscripts" collection has a series of tape recorded interviews with legendary black jazz artists.

Applications are up

Credit cards never die

By JACKIE SCHOENEMAN

The credit card has been accused of being untrustworthy, convenient and a fake substitute for real money.

Actually, the little plastic cards are harmless if used with restraint. It is this restraint, like dieting, that some women never seem to conquer.

Perhaps this is the reason so many women disavow ever using the plastic demons. And women who do use the cards use them seldom or very frequently.

For women who dare to use credit cards there is an added danger--misplacing them or having them stolen.

With holiday shopping in full swing, credit cards easily can be thrown away in the trash or forgotten in a store for someone to pick up and start a free shopping spree.

Many department stores in Sikeston can provide little assistance when credit cards are lost or stolen because they are only branch stores. However, if a card is lost or stolen, the victim should call immediately either the manager or credit manager of the branch store to find out the telephone number of the regional office. Some credit cards list a toll-free number on the back to call.

Immediate contact with the regional offices is very important in order to avoid paying gigantic bills when a lost or stolen credit card is misused.

Under recent federal legislation, the credit cardholder is liable for a maximum of $50 of ten called the "floor limit"-if the loss or theft is reported at once.

Regional offices welcome a phone call to report an emergency of this nature. Over the phone, they will ask the account number, date issued and expiration date and the person's name, address and telephone number of the ranch store to be notified.

However, Mrs. Evelyn Struwe, credit supervisor for Penneys, suggests sending an air mail registered follow-up letter to the regional office reiterating the above information and describing how you think the card was lost or stolen. A carbon copy of the letter sent should be kept for your own files.

As soon as possible, either the branch store or regional office will issue a "stop" list naming a card as stolen or lost. This list is posted at cash registers in the store.

In the meantime, the cardless credit customer usually can charge purchases by providing proper identification such as a driver's license, Bank Americard, Master Charge of American Express card.

However, to be reissued another card may take a minimum of "less than a week, depending on mail service," Mrs. Joan Caverno, office manager at Britts Department Store, said. The maximum is a month at some stores.

Credit card mania

An informal survey of four department stores in Sikeston reveal credit card applications have increased since last year despite the recessionary state of the economy. However, many women prefer to use credit cards only for emergencies.

And, if a cardholder cannot remember his account number or the date issued and expiration date, a quadruplicate list of all cards in his or her name should be compiled with that information included. Copies should go to both spouses, a close friend and one should be stored in a safe place at home.

BankAmericard or Master Charge are the only credit cards approved at some discount department stores. With this form of credit, a store, if it wants to, can call a special Wats line number in an affiliated bank, usually in a large city such as St. Louis or Memphis, for an authorization, Mrs. Betty Boyd, credit assistang manager at Bank of Sikeston said. This authorization takes about 10 seconds to do, and if the store is successful in locating a "hot" card, it is paid $25 by the affiliated bank of BankAmericard or Master Charge, Clem Beal, a Bank of Sikeston vice president, said.

To report a loss or theft on these charge cards, call the toll-free number on the back of the card and the card number will be placed on a "stop" list issued monthly.

However, Beal points out that since stores are often lax in calling for an authorization or demanding proper identification, a card could be stolen for months without being traced. He suggests credit card insurance would be wise to buy, especially for people who travel.

None of the four department stores contacted in Sikeston offers credit card insurance. Therefore, the consumer must buy his own if he desires insurance on his credit card.

Rob Mitchell, a Mitchell Insurance Agency salesman, said credit card insurance is purchased as part of a homeowner's policy. For people living in apartments, a special rider can be attached to a tenant's homeowner policy for coverage of credit cards.

The cost of credit card insurance is about $2 to $3 a year based on an average tenant's homeowner policy of $4,000, Mitchell said. However, since federal law has set a $50 maximum liability for a cardholder, he saidthis type of insurance is almost defunct for lack of requests.

It is also surprising that the credit card has not diminished in use during the current recessionary period when people normally are reluctant to get into debt.

Of the four stores contacted in Sikeston, all escept one reported an increase in applications for credit cards.

The stores also reported few people have relinquiished their cards in the past year. And when a person does give up a card, it usually is because a husband has been laid off from work or "the husband wants the wife to quit buying on credit" entirely, Charles Baranowski, general manager of TG&Y Family Center said.

The one store that reported a decrease in credit card applications reported an increase in people paying cash for layaways in preference to credit.

Mrs. Struwe said she has not detected any evidences of a recession "because of the amount of purchases made and the number of people in the store."

Tom Thurman, an assistant manager of Big K, a discount department store, says he has noted that customers are using credit more than ever since the recession has been in effect. "They don't have the ready cash and have to go in the hole."

However, it seems many women have refused to dig that hole.

"I seldom use mine. I only do to exchange something. It (the purchase) is credited to your account and you get your money back faster," Marjorie Kirkpatrick of Charleston said.

Joy Gooch, 910 N. Kingshighway, says, "I have more cards than I need. I don't use credit cards much because of the interest stores charge. It is better to pay cash."

Donna Buchanan of Hayti said she gave up her credit cards about two years ago when she "overused them. "You don't think they're real money until the bills come in."

"I very seldom use mine. I just don't like to go into debt and pay carrying charges," Mrs. Ann Stewart of East Prairie said. "I'm expecting a depression like the one in 1917 and the man who is in debt is going to be in trouble," she added.

Marie Eby of Matthews says she uses credit cards only to cash checks.

And Mrs. Burl Moody, Route Two, said simply, "We like to pay as we go."

A few women admitted to stopping or slowing down the use of credit cards because the recessionary economy is affecting their finances.

Margie Riddick of Portageville says she uses credit cards "just when I'm low on money. I don't know how it (state of economy) will be later on with a recession. I think twice before I buy."

"I quit using them (credit cards) because you spend too much money. I had a change of life-style when my husband died and I didn't want to be out any extra money," Verna Cameron of Parma said.

Mrs. Oliver Noyes, 531 E. Gladys St., said she discontinued using credit cards because "we (she and her husband) are on social security. We felt we were better off if we got rid of them."

And Mrs. LaVonda Cameron of Parma said her husband asked her to quit using the credit cards and she "has slacked off using them quite a bit."

Then there are a few who are still willing to use their credit cards.

Mrs. Rose Bartlett of Gideon says she uses her cards for convenience and because "our crop isn't out yet."

"I have all kinds. I don't like to carry money," Mrs. Bette Morgan of Parma said.

From this informal survey, it seems a fitting slogan for credit cards is "Don't use them, abuse them or lose them!

Hospital Notes

MISSOURI DELTA COMMUNITY
Census Report: 12-12-74

Area	Total Beds	Patients	Reserved Emer. Beds.	Gen. Adm. Beds
Med.-Surg.	121	109	6	6
Pediatrics	23	16	0	7
Obstetrics	14	3	0	11
Intensive Care	7	6	0	1

Patients scheduled for admission today: FIVE (5)

MISSOURI DELTA
12-11-74

Released:
Robert S. Finley, Charleston
Carolyn R. Grogan, Charleston
Mallie Middleton, Sikeston
Ella Douglas, East Prairie
Oakley Grubbs, Dexter
Travis Howard, New Madrid
James W. Wheeler, New Madrid
Rachel F. Clark, New Madrid
Bertie O'Neal, Charleeston
Rebecca Presson, Wolf Island
Evelyn Hart, Jackson, Tenn.
Jessie Lee Carroll, Sikeston
Isaac, Baby Girl, New Madrid
Sandra Holden, Morehouse
Jessie Young, Parma
Myrtle Welsh, Sikeston
Virginia McGahey, Sikeston
Mary Roach and baby girl, East Prairie
Suzanne Alsup, Sikeston
Sharon Nall and baby oy, East Prairie
Fred Scallion, Lilbourn
Imogene Culbertson, Sikeston
Norma Davis, New Madrid
Lela Cotrell, Charleston
Shawn Lay, Sikeston
Justin Kellett, Sikeston
Bobbie D. Ford, Sikeston
Total patients discharged: 29
Total patients admitted: 22
Births: 0

ST. FRANCIS

Released:
Mrs. Joyce Ann Holt, Advance.
Mrs. Bertha M. Long, Bloomfield
Mrs. Martha Reeves, Illmo
Mrs. Clara T. Schram, Oran

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

Released:
James Garrett, Bell City.
Mrs. John E. Smith, Kelso

CHAFFEE GENERAL

Admitted:
Marion Harmon, Cape Girardeau
Released:
Robert Dennis, Oran
Lela Green, Lutesville
Hazel Hargrove, Vanduser
David Jackson, Marble Hill
Timothy James, Lutesville
Purve Jones, Fredericktown
Henry Long, Lutesville
Janie Messmer, Chaffee
Dorhty Rhoden, Benton
Charles Craft, Benton

DEXTER MEMORIAL

Admitted:
Ruth Tyra, Sikeston
Melinda Rampley, Bloomfield
Released:
Mary Atchley, Sterling, Colo.
Floyd Anderson, Dexter
Bettra Steward, Sikeston
Teresa Stanberry, Morehouse
Matthew Randell, Dexter
Ruth Capps, Bernie

PEMISCOT MEMORIAL

Admitted:
Naomi Poole, Hayti
Opal Lynn, Caruthersville
Flossie Miller, Hayti
Abner Garmon, Hayti
Lereatha Walton, Portageville
Tina Cook, Portageville
Doris Nolen, Portageville
Ronald Bowlin, Steele
Mattie Barnes, Steele
J. W. Brokden, Chaffee
Released:
Sarah Palmer, Hayti
Willie Hutson, Hayti
Thomas Potts, Hayti
Mable Wabber, Caruthersville
Jan Nichols, Caruthersville
Delia Samuels, Caruthersville
Deb Hollis and baby girl, Caruthersville
Charlotte Adkinson and baby girl, Caruthersville
Faye Walker and baby girl, Caruthersville
Zoveida Coleman, Bragg City
Mary Bryant, Steele
Danny Nelson, New Madrid

Bank clubs offer little, no interest

Millions of people put their money in one of the various Christmas savings clubs offered by some banks each year. The clubs, explains Mrs. Eunice Lieurance, family economics and management specialist for the University of Missouri-Columbia are intended to help people save for Christmas spending.

"They given you something like a certificate, take your money, and often will not let you withdraw from that special account before Christmas. It, therefore, forces you to wait and not spend your money for other purposes."

The trouble, she says, is that the banks rarely pay interest on your money. "If people would use their regular savings accounts, over a certain amount of time they could add to the amount by collecting interest." She says in the few cases where banks do pay interest, it often has been less than current bank interest rates.

Births

CAGLE—Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cagle of Morley are parents of their second child, a daughter born Nov. 21 at Dexter Memorial Hospital. The girl weighed eight pounds two ounces and has been named Terra Leigh.

Mrs. Cagle is the former Linda Faries, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Faries of Canalou. Cagle, a lumber yard foreman at Himmelberger-Harrison Manufacturing Co. at Morehouse, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cagle of Canalou.

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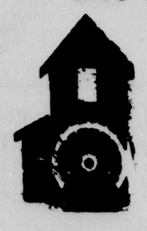

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Silhouettes go feminine

Big bows tie up in soft pastels

NEW YORK — (NEA) — Big beautiful bows tie up soft shirtings sensationally for Holiday '71 at RT.

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The blouses top off big, swingy skirts or smartly tailored pants that tie at the waist with self sashes or a skinny belt. Skirts and pants are color-coordinated to sweaters and blouses.

Silhouettes are feminine, colors are soft and prints are downright pretty as RT puts the emphasis on real live girls this winter.

Neckline interest catches the eye in coordinated trio (left) of soft print blouse with ascot bow, geometric patterned natural color sweater and big flared skirt from RT. At fight, sleeve treatment captures fashion interest as soft, full-sleeved blouse is worn underneath short elbow-length sweater with new wide sleeves. Coordinated pants have self-tie bow sash at waist.

Ann Landers

Waitress dislikes people taking tips

Dear Ann: Thank you for telling the wife who sneaked the $5 tip her husband left (for a party of six) that she "stole $5 from a woman who worked hard to earn it."

You wouldn't believe how little some waitresses are paid. We depend on our tips to live.

I have seen not only wives, but children grab tips from under plates. And yes, even strangers at nearby tables sometimes help themselves.

Please print this letter, Ann, and tell people who want to reward an efficient, hard-working waitress with a gratuity to please put it in her hand and not leave it on the table. It's the only way to make sure she gets it. -- The World Is A Jungle

Dear World: Here's your letter, but I must level with you, dear. I received a great many letters from women married to cheapskates who felt the wife was perfectly justified in grabbing that fiver. Of course they are wrong, but my answer didn't convince them, and neither will yours. Here's another letter from your "Sisterhood."

Dear Ann Landers: I've been a waitress in lounges and cabarets for several years. One of our worst problems is wives who tell their husbands, when the check comes, "You don't need to leave a tip. The bill is big enough to pay that waitress a good salary."

The bill may be big, but the truth is we AREN'T paid enough to live on. We need those tips to make the rent and groceries. The reason we do waitress work is because we know that if we are courteous and friendly and knock ourselves out, we WILL get good tips.

Another thing, most wives don't realize that many waitresses are divorced (or widowed) and they have young children. Support checks? Forget it. We've given up trying to find the bums or it's too much of a hassle to get a deadbeat ex-husband to pay support.

That dame who wrote to you, Ann, said she needed the $5 she lifted to get some fabric out of lay-away. While she's at home sewing, I'm standing on my feet for eight hours at a stretch trying to make a decent living. Bunioned Betty

Dear Betty: Thanks for the back-up. Now here's a letter from a wife.

Dear Ann Landers: I saw red when you accused that wife of STEALING that $5 tip left by her husband.

I can't squeeze an extra quarter out of my tightwad, but when "Mr. Big Shot" gets out in public, he just loves to show off by throwing money around.

The whole tipping system is rotten. Restaurants, bars, and cocktail lounges ought to pay their help enough to live on, the same as shops and offices. I work in the lingerie department of a well-known store and nobody tips me for breaking my back trying to squeeze a size 44 rear end into a "medium" girdle. When I get home at night I feel as if I've shoveled a ton of coal. Tell it like it is, kiddo, will you please? -- Tired And Tipless

Dear T. and T.: You did, and I thank you. But until the tipping system is changed, we'll have to go along with it -- and I see no evidence of a change in the making.

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Bars delight kids

Now is the year to institute a true timesaver, the no-bake brownie made with chocolate baking chips, peanuts and peanut butter. These jewels will please children, or pack a batch for your favorite hostess.

No-bake brownies save holiday time

Carols resound from the TV set; your gift list never seems to get shorter; and you ponder about what to serve youngsters when they drop in during holidays. Also, quick and easy to prepare, eventhe last minute when you've invited practically all the neighborhood youngsters. At such times, traditional brownies are perfect treasures.

This might be the year for you to institute the tradition of the no-bake brownine. After all, it has the dividend of saving time and , there's an intriguing flavor combination in No-Bake Peanut Brownies that's rich, moist and chewy.

Assemble a package of chocolate-flavor baking chips, peanuts, peanut butter and a few other ingredients, including graham cracker crumbs.

Once the chocolate chips are melted with evaporated milk and one half cup of the mixture is set aside, the remainder is combined with the peanuts, peanut butter, crumbs and confectioners sugar and pressed into a well-greased nine- inch square pan. Then, the measured chocolate, set aside earlier, is over to "glaze" the brownie. After chilling, cut into about 32

No-bake Peanut Brownies

1 cup chopped peanuts
4 cups graham cracker crumbs
½ cup unsifted confectioners sugar
¼ cup peanut butter
1 (12 oz. pkg.) chocolate-flavor baking chips
1 cup evaporated milk,
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine nuts, crumbs, confectioners sugar and peanut butter in a large mixing bowl; blend well, set aside.

Heat chocolate and evaporated milk in small saucepan over low heat, stirring constantly until smoothly blended. Remove from heat; add vanilla.

Measure one half cup of the chocolate mixture; set aside. Combine remaining chocolate mixture with crumb mixture.

Spread evenly in a well-greased nine-inch square pan. Spread with measured chocolate mixture to glaze. Chill; cut into bars. Makes 32 bars.

Seaweed Garden

The Sargasso Sea, stretching almost halfway across the North Atlantic, is covered for miles with huge patches of seaweed. Slow circular currents tend to keep the seaweed — Sargassum — congregated there.

Births

WARF--Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Paul Warf, 627 Taylor St., are the parents of their first child, a son born at 6:52 a.m. Nov. 18 at Missouri Delta Community Hospital. The boy weighed eight pounds four ounces and has been named Jimmie Paul Jr.

Mrs. Warf is the former Anna Marie Bruno, daughter of Mrs. Francis Riffle Bruno of North Little Rock, Ark. Warf, an insurance salesman for Aetna Insurance Co., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Warf, 808 Courtney Drive.

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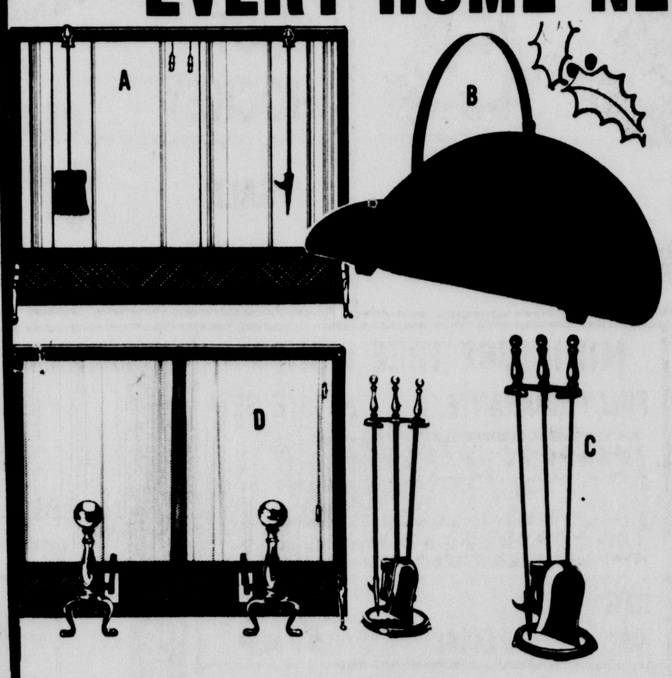

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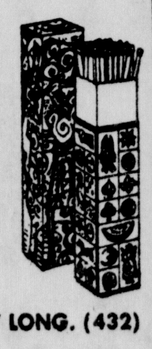

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Oil prices not expected to be raised

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The oil-exporting countries are not expected to raise prices at their two-day meeting that opened in Vienna today. But Iran's oil minister says there will have to be an increase eventually to keep pace with inflation.

"We must uphold the purchasing power of our oil," Jamshid Amouzegar of Iran told newsmen Wednesday night as oil ministers gathered for the session of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Amouzegar said the Shah of Iran, OPEC's leading "price hawk," does not insist on a price rise immediately after Dec. 31, when present prices are subject to revision. But he said the oil exporters eventually will need more revenue to offset the increase in the cost of their imports due to inflation.

The leading "price dove," Saudi Arabia's Sheik Ahmed Zaki Yamani, said "a certain reduction of prices is not excluded." But other sources doubted the meeting would vote any cuts.

Yamani said energy conservation by the oil-consuming nations to reduce their imports would not bring the price down.

"There is no alternative to holding a meaningful dialogue with us," he declared.

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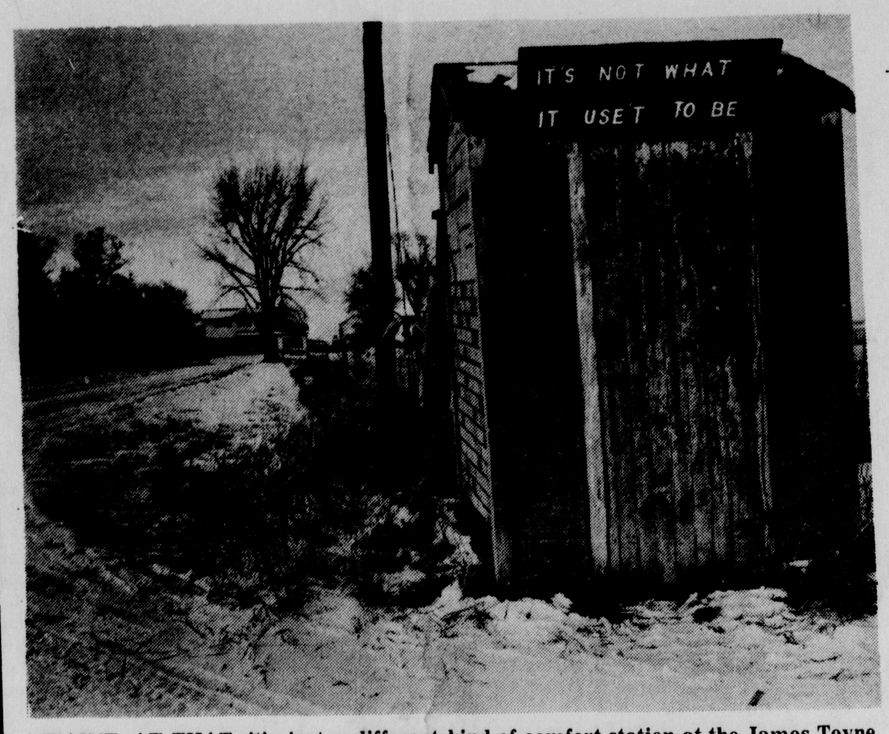

T'AINT, AT THAT, it's just a different kind of comfort station at the James Toyne home near rural Milnor, N.D. Toyne's brother-in-law in Fergus Falls, Minn., wanted to get rid of this old outhouse, so Toyne set it up for his three children to wait in for the school bus during subzero weather. That's the Toyne home a quarter-mile back there. Barbara LaValleur of the Daily News (Breckenridge, Minn., and Wahpeton, N.D.) made the photo.

Christmas Seals work for health

More than 300,000 Americans will learn that they have emphysema, and more than 21,000 will die from the disabling lung disease during 1974, according to Joseph C. Wotawa, President, American Lung Association of Eastern Missouri.

Wotawa offered these other New Year predictions for the nation's health released by the American Lung Association, nationwide headquarters for the local Christmas Seal Association.

+ The taxpayers' bill for disability benefits for emphysema and other chronic respiratory disease will total more than $400,000,000.

+ More than 8,000 newborn infants will die of respiratory distress syndrome, including hyaline membrane disease.

+ More than 246,000,000 acute respiratory diseases will be reported to physicians, an average of 1.2 per American for the year. These diseases will cause U.S. employers to lose more than 135,000,000 work-days.

+ Breathing of 1,500,000 Americans will be crippled by emphysema, of 6,500,000 by chronic bronchitis and of more than 6,000,000 by chronic asthma.

+ About 29,000,000 Americans will begin taking daily doses of anti-TB medicines, because they have new, active cases of TB. Fortunately, most of these TB patients will be cured without hospitalization. They will have to visit an out-patient clinic regularly. And, they won't be able to skip their pills for even one day, without jeopardizing their treatment.

+ More than 200 million tons of pollutants in the form of waste gases and particles will be dumped into the air to threaten humans and animals and damage vegetation and buildings.

+ About 300,000 persons will die from causes related to smoking and an estimated one million teenagers will take up the habit in 1975.

"These high tolls in illness and health must be reduced," Wotawa said. "Each of us can help by supporting the work of the American Lung Association of Eastern Missouri. If you haven't answered your Christmas Seal letter, it's not too late. If you want to 'beat the numbers' and make 1975 a healthier year, an additional contribution will help the Christmas Seal association expand its year-round fight for life and breath."

Ambassador says accusations could be good for U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — U.S. Ambassador John A. Scali says the bitter replies provoked by his speech last week accusing the General Assembly of falling under a "tyranny of the majority" could prove healthy for the United Nations.

Delegates from 21 countries spoke Wednesday, most of them challenging Scali's assertions. But some agreed with the U.S. view that the United Nations is in a crisis. The debate continues today.

India and Indonesia, two of the most populous countries of the Third World bloc dominating the 138-member assembly, were among Wednesday's speakers.

While defending the Asian-African majority, Indian Ambassador Rikhi Jaipal said his country's first priority is to "overcome the present crisis of confidence in the United Nations."

He said he hoped Western nations would try to understand the frustrations of the majority and their need to attain basic living standards.

Indonesia's Chaidar Anwar Sani said his country welcomed the chance to clear the air with a frank exchange of views. He said it would be well for the Third World majority to ponder the anxieties of the minority.

However, Cuba's Ricardo Alarcon referred to Dec. 6, when Scali made his speech, as the date when forces of colonialism and racism "attempted to make a declaration of war."

Traditional U.S. allies such as Britain, France, West Germany and Belgium have sided with Scali.

Scali later told a reporter that he may address the assembly again because some of the speeches, although critical of his position, provided the basis for a dialogue on problems of the performance and credibility of the world organization.

"I hope we can concentrate more on meaninful dialogue than on oratory. Some delegates apparently are ready to do so," he said in a statement.

Scali and Congress have been particularly irked by the reception the General Assembly accorded the Palestine Liberation Organization last month, its exclusion of South Africa from debate and the limiting of Israel's right to speak in the Palestine debate.

Rejection threatens to reclose mines

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The rejection of a new contract for 4,500 mine construction workers threatened to shut down many of the nation's coal mines today, partially renewing a walkout that idled most of the industry for nearly a month.

The United Mine Workers 38-member bargaining council, after meeting in Washington Wednesday night, sent the tentative accord back for further negotiations with the Association of Bituminous Contractors.

Union negotiators said immediatly after hearing of the council's action that they would seek a meeting with representatives of the contractors association as soon as possible.

The contract for the ABC employes was similar to the settlement ratified last week by the union's 120,000 miner members. The miners contract provided for a 64 per cent hike in wages and benefits over three years.

But union negotiators were unsuccessful in obtaining additional unemployment benefits and travel pay wanted by the construction workers, who are subject to more frequent layoffs and often have to move around from one mine construction site to another.

Picketing by the workers kept 24,000 miners home and prevented many mines from reopening as scheduled on Monday. However, most of the picket lines started coming down slowly after tentative agreement on the ABC pact was reached early Tuesday.

"We are hopeful that there will be no picketing of the coal mines by ABC workers," a union spokesman said after hearing of the bargaining council's action Wednesday night. "It would not strengthen their negotiation position at all."

FUN AND GAMES IN 1982

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Kenya, Africa's leading track and field nation, is making a firm bid to stage the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Nairobi. Isaac Lugonzo, chairman of the decision-making Kenya National Sports Council, said the Kenya Olympic Association had been entrusted with the advance work in connection with the Kenyan offer.

House approves extension to aid cut off

WASHINGTON (AP) — A battle in Congress over cutting off foreign aid to Turkey has been set in motion by House approval of a foreign aid bill that extends the present moratorium until June 30.

The cutoff extension was approved Wednesday night by an overwhelming 297 to 98 vote, indicating the House will resist a Senate-passed delay on the cutoff until Feb. 14.

The $2.6 billion foreign aid bill passed on a 201 to 190 vote.

President Ford has opposed the cutoff but his congressional supporters offered little resistance to it. They said they will try to win agreement for the delay when House and Senate conferees work out a compromise with a $2.7 billion foreign aid bill passed by the Senate.

All U.S. aid to Turkey was cut off at midnight Tuesday under previous action by Congress until "substantial progress" is made on negotiating withdrawal of Turkish troops from Cyprus. That cutoff expires when Congress adjourns next week, and the House bill would reimpose it.

The administration had asked Congress to postpone the cutoff so it could seek negotiations on the troop pullout.

The House bill also trimmed Ford's $578 million request for Cambodia to $377 million, including a maximum of $200 million for military aid. At the same time the administration accepted a compromise to cut military aid to South Korea by $20 million until Ford can report that President Park Chung Hee is loosening restrictive policies.

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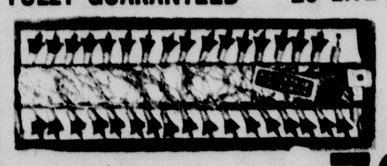

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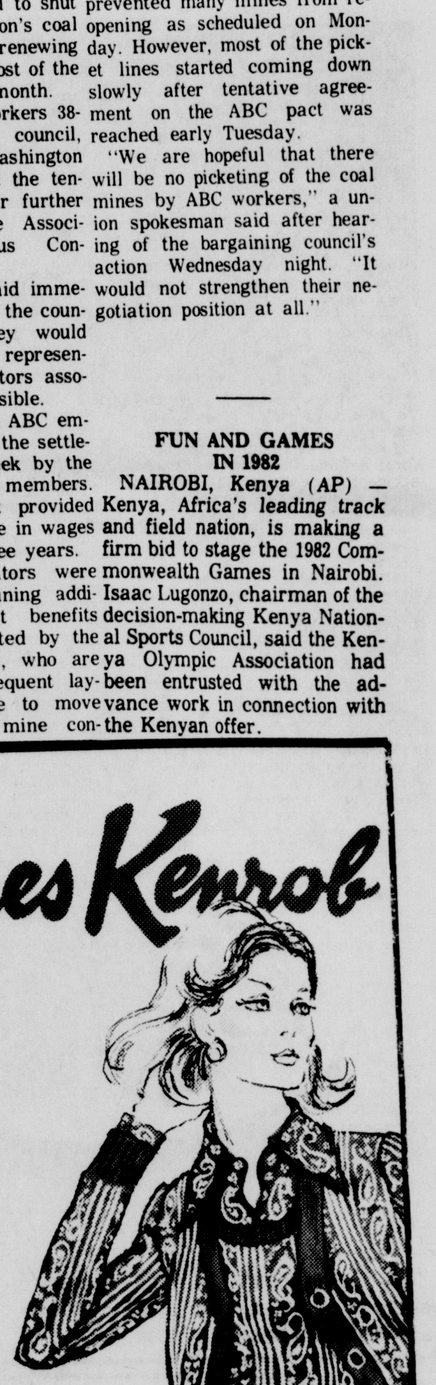

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PROBATE COURT

BENTON — Nine cases came before Judge John Sides in Probate Court last week.

Mary Frances Bain, deceased: inventory filed and recorded.

Mary Bain, executrix of estate, presented inventory and appraisement, which was examined, approved and ordered filed and recorded.

Minnie Jane Yount, deceased: final settlement approved.

John Henry Yount Jr., executor of estate, filed final settlement on Nov. 11; court approved and ordered distribution made.

Minnie Jane Yount, deceased: finding and order discharging executor.

John Henry Yount Jr., executor of estate, was ordered discharged.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed and allowed.

Ira Wright Jr. presented claim of $93.43 against the estate, which the court allowed plus interest.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed and allowed.

Bob Seabaugh, president of Rickett's Lumber Co., Inc., presented claim against the estate for $403.70, which the court allowed plus interest.

Glen Slayton, deceased: finding and order discharging administrator.

John W. Marshall, administrator of estate, was ordered discharged.

Joseph Allen Engram, deceased: order to sell personal property.

Court ordered John Engram, administrator of estate, to sell the property of the deceased at most advantageous terms possible for cash.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed.

James A. Foeste and Mildred Foeste presented claim of $9,819.35 against the estate, which the court examined, approved and ordered filed and recorded.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed.

Dr. Urban L. Kramer Jr. presented a claim of $13.90 against the estate, which was examined, approved and ordered filed and recorded.

CIRCUIT COURT

BENTON — Three civil cases have been settled in Scott County Circuit Court before Judge Marshall Craig.

In a jury trial, Lanny Lannom was awarded $3,000 in damages from Kenneth Eugene Schiwitz in a suit resulting from a traffic accident on Sept. 19, 1973. Lannom claimed the accident happened as a result of Schiwitz' careless and imprudent driving and has sought $20,000 in damages.

The court found Harold Poole of Sikeston indebted to Forbis Supply House, Inc. an amount of $6,014.63, and awarded the company that amount p lus $270.63 interest.

Daryll B. Henke was awarded $543 interest on a $5,113 judgment against Marvin Henke in Madison County, Ill., on Feb. 15, 1973 for back child support.

ARRESTS

Henry C. Speakman, 110 Second St., careless and imprudent driving.

Paul D. Phillips of Louisiana, Mo., driving while intoxicated, leaving the scene of an accident and driving without a license.

EMERGENCY PATIENTS

Treated and released Wednesday in the emergency room at Missouri Delta Community Hospital were:

Everett R. Breuer, 45, Stoutland, sprained left shoulder in ca car accident; Jack Vincent, 31, Malden, multiple injuries in car accident; John Gremillion, 26, Houston, Tex., injured in car accident; Robert G. Meeks, 34, Charleston, injured back at work; Donald Robinson, 13, Matthews, sprained left knee in fall at school; Ray Dodd, 3, New Madrid, fell and cut chin; and Lawrence Kinsey, 49, Sikeston, bruised left knee in car accident.

GRAIN

CHICAGO (AP) — Wheat and soybean futures prices were relatively strong in early dealings on the Chicago Board of Trade today, while corn and oats were uneven.

On the opening, soybeans were 2 to 5 cents a bushel higher, January 7.33; Chicago wheat was 2 to 6 higher, December 4.68; Gulf hard red wheat was not traded; corn was 1 lower to 1½ higher, December 3.59 and oats were ¼ lower to ¼ higher, December 1.84½.

LOCAL STOCKS

	BID	ASK
1st Nat Bk of Sik	7¾	8¾
Bk Bldg & Eq	12¼	12¾
Anheuser Busch	26¼	26¾
Martha Manning	1	1½
Chase Nat	7¼	8¼
Pabst Brewing	15¼	15¾
Scottish Inns	⅞	1⅜
Wetterau	10½	11

LISTED STOCKS

Allied Stores	16¾
American Motors	3⅜
American Tel & Tel	43⅝
Chrysler	8⅛
Columbia Gas	22
Eaton Mfg	19⅞
Ford Motors	32⅝
General Motors	31¼
Interstate Brands	5
Malone & Hyde	17
Mid South Util	12¾
J. C. Penney	37½
New England Elect	13
Occidental Pet	12⅞
WalMart Stores	8

EDITOR'S NOTE: The bid price is the approximate p rice if one were a seller and the asked price is the approximate price if one were a buyer. These are listings at the close of the previous market.

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5 MOST ACTIVE

The Dow Jones Industrial Averages at noon were up 4.62 on a volume of 7.66 million shares.

NYSE MOST ACTIVES:		Stdy
Sony	43¾	
RCA	10	+¼
BF Saul Inv	3	-⅜
Stride Rite	6½	-⅛
GM	32	+1

LISTED STOCKS

Am Tele.	44
Butler Natl	⅞
Anheuser Busch	26¾
Cooper Tire	5⅝
Evans Prod.	2¼
Gelco	5⅜
Ford	33¼
Manchester Life	1⅜
Gen. Mtrs	32
Interco	18⅛
Malone ⅞ Hyde	17¼
Mid Am. Great Plains	not trading
Noranda Mines	29¼
Pizza Inns	2¾
R. J. Reynolds	51
Redman	1½
Rival Mfg.	15¾
St. Joe Mineral	34⅜
Texaco	21⅜
TransAmerica	5⅞
Wetterau Foods	11

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MAGISTRATE COURT

BENTON---Thirty four cases came before Judge Lloyd Briggs in Scott County Magistrate Court Wednesday.

Robert Blackman, charged with the murder in the death of Julie Lee Thompson on Nov. 28 at Haywood City, was bound over to appear in Circuit Court on Dec. 26 and bond was set at $5,000.

James Dodd, Oran, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, $150 fine, 90-day suspended jail sentence and one year on probation.

Glenn Avery, Scott City, helping Elmer Penrose Jr. to escape from the county jail on Nov. 20, six-month jail sentence.

Stanton Dale Vaughn, Morley, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, imposition of sentence stayed for one year, placed under supervision of probation and parole officer, to reappear on Dec. 10, 1975.

Larry Brant, Scott City, assault on James Bryan Cox on Nov. 1, pleaded guilty, $25 fine, 30-day jail sentence and placed on one-year probation.

Donald Gene Chamberlain, Lilbourn, failure to make a complete and proper vehicle inspection, pleaded guilty, $25 fine.

Vicki Josie Allen, Chaffee, improper registration, pleaded guilty, $25 fine.

Woodrow Wilson Lewis, Chaffee, driving without license, pleaded guilty, $10 fine.

John Walter Moss, Scott City, driving without a license, pleaded guilty, $10 fine.

Paula Jean Harris, Chaffee, driving without a license, pleaded guilty, fined $5.

Vernon Houston McDermott, East Prairie, improper registration, trial set for Jan. 15, 1975.

Danny Ray Barker, forging a check on Oct. 2, attorney appointed by court.

Darrell Dean Adams, assault on Shari Lyn Kelly on Dec. 4, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 18.

Eddie Brant, assaulting Scott City Police officer Thomas E. Knupp on Dec. 2, continued to Dec. 18.

Larry Berry, Oct. 18, stealing $70 in quarters and half dollars and over $50 worth of meat from Emil E. Fuhrmann on Oct. 18, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 18.

Willie Gene Harris, Cape Girardeau, assaulting Trooper H.R. Harris on Nov. 17, passed until further order.

Terry D. Gunter, stealing in excess of $50 from Al Glastetter on Nov. 27, continued due to defendant being in hospital.

Debbie Wicker, helping Elmer Penrose Jr. to escape from county jail on Nov. 20, passed to Dec. 18.

Elmer Penrose Jr., breaking out of county jail on Nov. 20, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 18.

Karen Sue Sherman, Sikeston, speeding, written plea, $14 fine.

Clarence Lee Shirrell, Cape Girardeau, speeding, written plea, $30.50 fine.

Ozie Lee Payne, St. Louis, speeding, written plea, $100 fine.

Carol Lee Donaldson, Burlington, Iowa, speeding, written plea, $16.

David Lynn Cupples, Pinson, Tenn., speeding, written plea, $110 fine.

Theora Sue Richardson, Bell City Route One, speeding, written plea, $12 fine.

Ellen Hyde, St. Louis, speeding, written plea, $15 fine.

Ted Leroy McKinney, St. Louis, speeding, written plea, $17 fine.

Albert Thomas, speeding, written plea, $40 fine.

John Willard Proffer, Cape Girardeau, speeding, written plea, $13 fine.

Cerfue Cullen Reed, Pine Lawn, speeding, written plea, $45 fine.

Joyce Ann Fair, Charleston, speeding, written plea, $16 fine.

Robert L. Elledge, Cape Girardeau, speeding, written plea, $13 fine.

Hubert James Barks, Scott City, speeding, written plea, $14 fine.

Frankie Dale Hutson, Chaffee Route Two, failure to drive on right side of road, pleaded guilty, $5 fine.

RIVER STAGES

MISSISSIPPI

	Flood	Now	Ch.
Chester	27	9.4	-1.1
Cape Girardeau	32	16.5	-.5
New Madrid	34	19.2	+.5
Caruthersville	32	19.7	+.2

FORECAST

At Chester the river will rise .1 Friday; fall .3 Saturday; and fall .1 Sunday.

At Cape Girardeau the river will fall 1.0 Friday; rise .2 Saturday; and fall .4 Sunday.

At New Madrid the river will rise .2 Friday; remain steady Saturday; and rise .3 Sunday.

At Caruthersville the river will rise .5 Friday; rise .8 Saturday; and remain steady Sunday.

OHIO

	Flood	Now	Ch.
Golconda	40	25.5	+.8
Paducah	39	22.6	+.5
Grand Chain	42	29.3	+.6
Cairo	40	28.3	+.9

FORECAST

At Golconda the river will rise .5 Friday; rise 1.3 Saturday; and rise 1.0 Sunday.

At Paducah the river will rise 1.6 Friday; rise .6 Saturday; and rise 1.3 Sunday.

At Grand Chain no forecast was available.

At Cairo the river will remain steady Friday; rise .3 Saturday; and rise .8 Sunday.

Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl who is almost four years old. For Christmas this year I would like some dollies, Digger the dog, a radio, a close and play phonograph, some stuffed animals, and anything else that you want to bring to me.

I have a new little sister this year who is only 3 weeks old named Terra Leigh. Please bring a few little toys, too.

I will leave you some cookies and milk for you by the Christmas tree.

I love you, Santa
Paulette Lynn Cagle
Morley, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Lewis F. Hux, III, but all my friends call me Derick. I am almost 4 years old. My mom says I am busy as a beaver and I talk too much, but otherwise I'm a pretty good boy. For Christmas I would like a Tonka dump truck, a see and say alphabet toy, a play school, tinkertoys, and a close and play phonograph. Don't forget my Grandma and PaPa Townsend and my Grandma and Grandpa Toppy Hux.

Love
Derick Hux
Dexter, Mo.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

PRESIDENTIAL APPEARANCES at GOP fund-raising benefits for local candidates throughout the Midwest have not attracted the crowds expected. President Ford's appearance at a $500-a-plate dinner drew over 5,200 Republicans in Indianapolis but audiences at subsequent appearances have been sparse.

Dear Santa,

Our names are Tara and Kelly Greer. We are 3 and 5 years old. We have tried to be real good little girls this year.

For Christmas we would like a new red maxi-dress, some slacksuits, a doll, a view-master, a set of intercom telephones, a cash register, a close and play record player, some records, some puzzles and what ever else you want to bring to us. Please send 2 of everything except the record player.

Don't forget all the other little kids especially all of our cousins.

There will be milk and cookies under the tree for you.

We love you,
Kelly & Tara Greer
Morehouse

Dear Santa,

My name is Paula Tackett, and I am 3 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl this year.

For Christmas I would like a baby doll, a set of dishes, a sled, some new P.J.s, and some new clothes.

Please don't forget my brother Nicky. He is 7 years old. He wants a pair of cowboy boots, some gloves, cap-gun set, and an Evil Knevial.

Also, please don't for get my other brother Mikie, he wants a new Cub Scout Suit, and an Evil Knievial, some gloves, and some new clothes.

Don't forget my other two brothers, and my big sister.

There will be cookies and a coke under the tree.

Love
Paula Tackett

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The oil-exporting countries are not expected to raise prices at their two-day meeting that opened in Vienna today. But Iran's oil minister says there will have to be an increase eventually to keep pace

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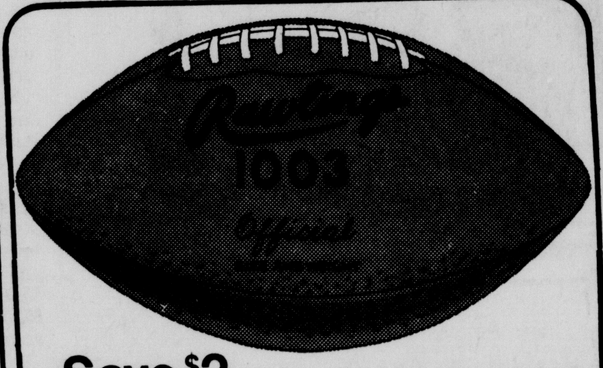

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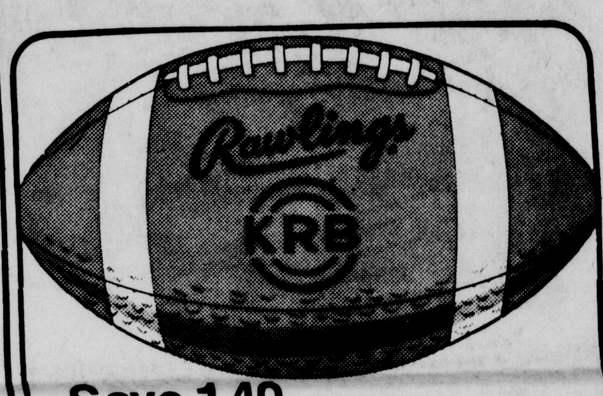

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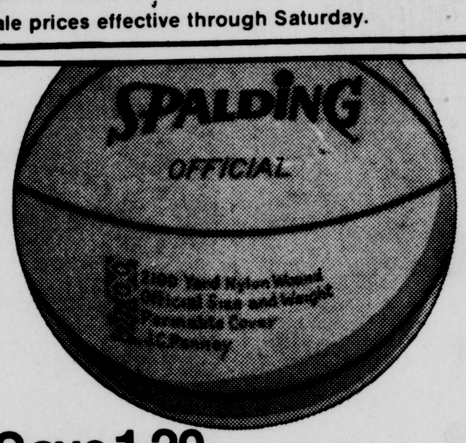

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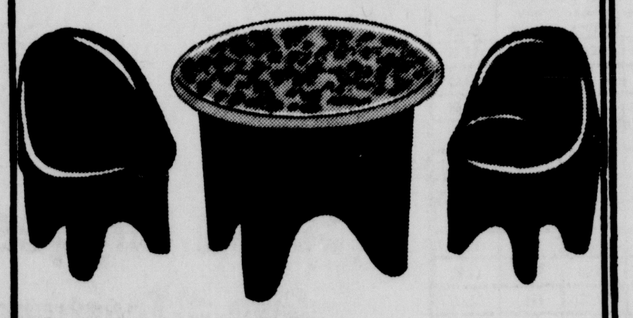

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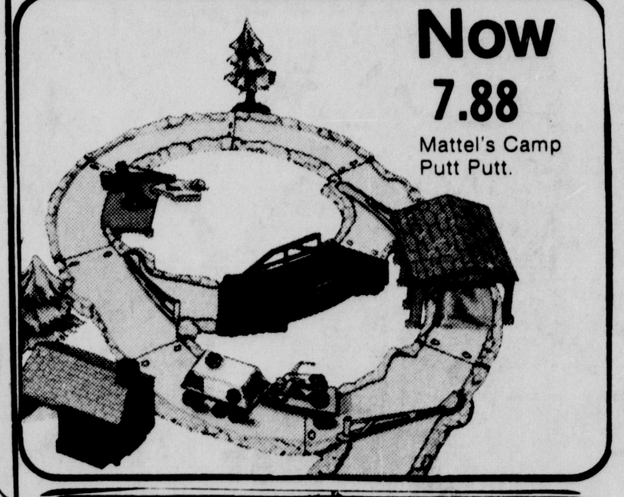

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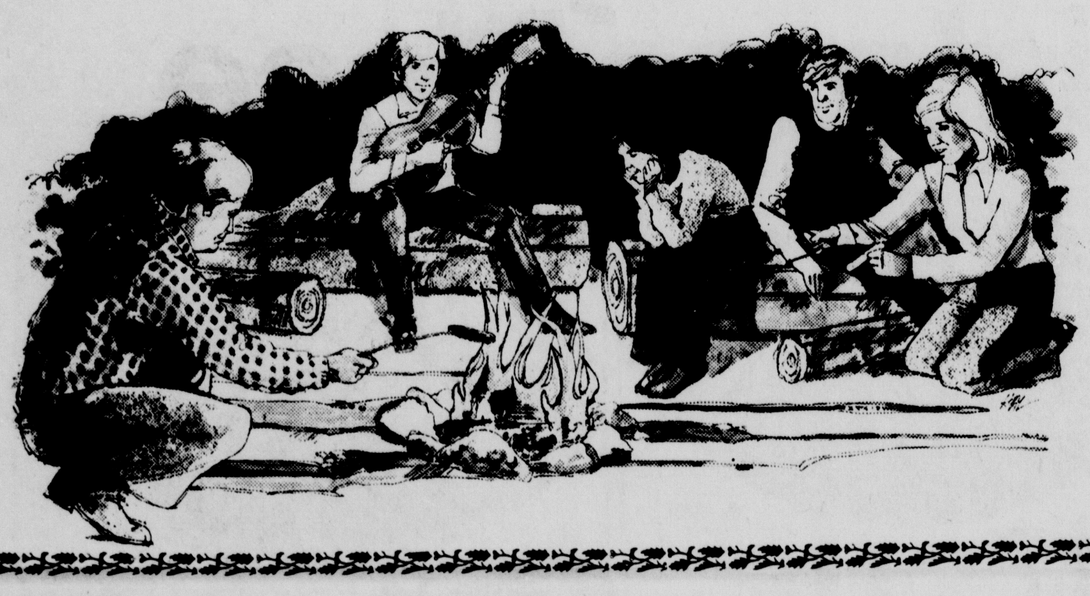

Tom Tiede

Auto(psy) on the dying car industry

By Tom Tiede

NEWARK, Del. — (NEA) — "You can't get drunk in the afternoon," one of them says, and so each day the workless members of the United Auto Workers Local 1183 cluster in the lobby of the union office to contemplate their lousy fates.

Approximately 3,400 of them have been furloughed from the Chrysler plant here, "just in time for Christmas." They sit on chairs, lean against walls, group in the corners. Some men cling to the hands of their small children, others are dressed for the movies, one is trying to get action on a football card.

"Dadrat the public!" A black man grumbles. He says it for the rest. "I got this neighbor who for 2000 years has been buying a new car every two years — until this year. This year, he says, he's cutting back. I tell him, 'man, what you're cutting back is my grocery money,' but it don't do no good. He's got his mind made up. No new car. And you want to know something? I can't really blame him, new cars just ain't worth it anymore."

Indeed, new cars ain't worth it anymore, a fact that seems abundantly clear to the people who buy cars, the people who make cars — everybody, in fact, except the people who sell cars.

Chrysler, for one, has in recent weeks had as many as 50,000 unsold vehicles parked around the nation and its share of the auto market has fallen from the 13 to 16 per cent average of recent years to a current low of less than 12. But when the company tries to explain the dilemma it talks about complex vagaries rather than simple realities. The fact is, as many members of UAW Local 1183 agree, cars are not selling as brother Floyd Green says, "Mostly because they cost too much."

Green can testify from both ends of the issue. As an automobile assembler, he says the quality of the hulks he puts together has no relationship to their price in the showrooms. And, on the other hand, as an automobile user thus buyer, he says the high money investment has no relationship to sound, justifiable consumer economics.

Last year, for example, Green bought a 1974 Chrysler Newport for a staggering $5200. Financing it added a $1000 more to the total. When he drove it out of the sales lot, however, the auto's worth immediately depreciated by several hundred dollars and has continued that trend since. "I've had it just about a year now," Green sighs, "And if I was lucky I could get maybe $15 to $1600 in trade."

The extraordinary economic absurdity of automobile ownership is of course familiar to all. And as of late, with skyrocketing prices, it has become a joke many can do without. The average cost of automobiles has risen from $700 to $1000 in the last few months. Ford Motor Company alone has increased its car prices an average 10 per cent since September.

A teensy AMC Gremlin, laughingly called an "economy vehicle", is now selling at more than $3000. Add to this the cost of financing (10 per cent minimum) and depreciation (new Buicks will be worth as little as one fourth their current price next December) and the blame for auto no sales is obvious: People are not totally stupid.

The fact is that with the exception of perishable items, no investment in America is as economically weak as that for automobiles. A home purchase can increase a buyer's original outlay, a new boat can often be resold for at least the purchase price, even a used bicycle is not a complete giveaway. But cars?

Sighs Green: "You can't beat the game. You can't stay even in the game. All you do is lose so now increasing numbers of Americans are refusing to play the automobile game at all, at least temporarily."

And whereas this says something for enlightened common sense, it also takes a toll. About 80,000 Chrysler employees are already laid off in the nation and the workless here expect more to follow. Explains one: "I was at a Plymouth dealer last week and I asked how much this yellow Valiant was. The salesman said $5,000? He said, 'yes, it's fully equipped.' Jeez, can you beat it? $5,000 for a Valiant. If that keeps up, there ain't none of us is ever going back on the line."

Spokesman says gas measure would cut into state budgets

WASHINGTON (AP) — A spokesman for the nation's governors says any federal move to reduce gasoline sales should include some way for the states to recoup lost gasoline tax revenues.

Ed Rovner, director of an energy project for the National Governors' Conference, told the final session of public hearings on energy policy Wednesday that gasoline conservation, which the administration is considering, would cut deeply into state budgets.

Rovner said the administration should provide some way to replace those funds. He said ways of doing this would include reducing the matching funds states must provide for federal aid to highway construction and by allowing them to collect increased state gasoline taxes in lieu of any federal gasoline tax increases.

Rovner said the governors want national leadership in establishing energy policies, but not federal programs to carry them out. Implementation should be left to the states where possible, he said.

Other state and local officials joined Rovner in urging energy conservation measures plus greater attention to new energy sources.

San Francisco Mayor Joseph L. Alioto urged the administration to reduce oil imports over six years from more than 30 per cent of total U.S. oil supply to around 10 per cent.

Mayor Neil Goldschmidt of Portland, Ore., representing the National League of Cities, said federal energy regulation is needed to prevent the development of regional rivalries over fuel supplies and environmental protection.

Wednesday was the final day of public hearings on the complex energy issues which now must be sorted out and developed into specific recommendations for the President and Congress.

That process begins in earnest next Saturday when federal energy officials seclude themselves for the weekend at Camp David, the presidential retreat in Maryland's Catoctin Mountains.

Erlichman says Nixon deceived him

WASHINGTON (AP) — John D. Ehrlichman, once among the staunchest Nixon loyalists, says he now realizes Richard M. Nixon deceived him at least four times about Watergate.

"In at least four major instances, the impressions given me by the former president were false," Ehrlichman told the Watergate cover-up trial on Wednesday. "I think there is an ample showing in this record I was deceived."

It was the sharpest public break Ehrlichman has made with the man he served for five years in the White House.

It came late in a day of intense cross-examination by chief prosecutor James F. Neal, who repeatedly pressed the former Nixon aide to explain why he didn't tell investigators what he knew about Watergate, if, as he says, he consistently advocated full disclosure.

Ehrlichman was the last of three top-level Nixon advisers to present his defense in the cover-up case. Former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell and ex-White House staff chief H.R. Haldeman also have testified.

Former Assistant Atty. Gen. Robert C. Mardian was scheduled to follow Ehrlichman on the witness stand. The fifth defendant is Kenneth W. Parkinson, former lawyer for the Nixon re-election committee.

All five are charged with conspiring to obstruct the investigation of the Watergate break-in.

The cornerstone of Ehrlichman's defense was summed up in his lawyer's opening statement when he said Ehrlichman had been "misled, deceived and lied to" by Nixon.

But despite the harsh words from his lawyer early in the trial, Ehrlichman's recollection of Nixon was more sorrowful than bitter or angry.

On Tuesday, he wept as he recalled the meeting on April 29, 1973, when Nixon asked for his resignation.

But there were no tears Wednesday as Ehrlichman, in a matter-of-fact manner, ticked off the dates on which he said he was misled: June 23, 1972; March 21, 1973; Jan. 8, 1973; March 22, 1973.

2 bills sent to Ford

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress has sent President Ford a bill sharply increasing penalties for antitrust violations and legislation giving home buyers more protection against high-cost settlement fees.

Both measures won final approval in the House Wednesday.

The antitrust bill would stiffen the maximum fine for violations from its present level of $50,000 to $100,000 for individuals and $1 million for corporations. Imprisonment would be for up to five years.

The home buyer protection bill directs the Department of Housing and Urban Development to prepare a standard form for settlement charges in residential mortgage transactions to minimize confusion. It also retains authority for the department to regulate settlement costs for government-backed mortgages.

The bill imposed several prohibitions to abolish practices which have hampered consumers seeking the cheapest yet best settlement on house transactions.

It would be illegal, for instance, for lawyers or realtors to give or receive kickbacks for referring settlement service business to anyone. It also would be illegal for a seller to require a homebuyer to purchase title insurance from a specific company as a condition of sale.

In other action Wednesday, the Senate passed a bill to extend federal jurisdiction over fishing from 12 to 100 miles offshore. The measure, designed to protect endangered species of food fish from overfishing from foreign vessels, would give U.S. fishermen priority with the 200-mile zone.

The new limit would expire upon completion of a multination agreement on the law of the sea.

The bill goes to the House, where no action is expected this year. It is opposed by the State and Defense Departments.

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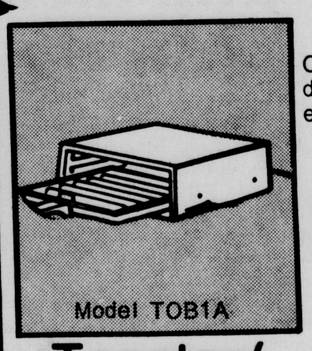

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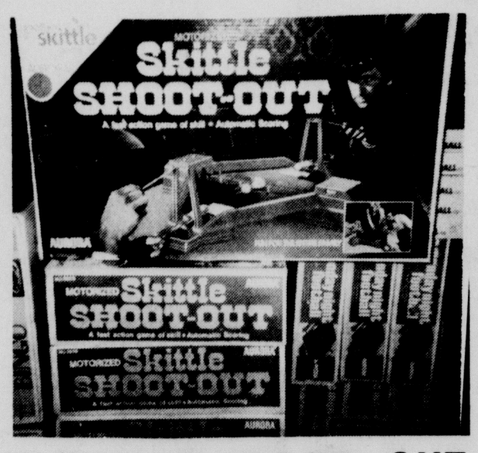

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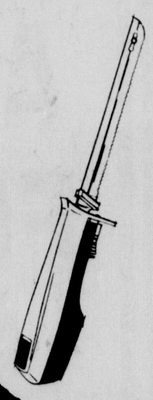

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Henderson charged in income tax evasion

NEW YORK (AP) — Conductor Skitch Henderson faces up to three years in prison and a $5,000 fine after a federal jury found him guilty of filing a false income tax return.

He had been charged with evading more than $40,000 in federal income taxes.

The jury resumes deliberations today on two other tax jpno003inst the conductor — an attempted tax evasion count and a second false filing count.

The 56-year-old former musical director of NBC-TV's "Tonight Show" reacted impassively to the guilty verdict in U.S. District Court Wednesday night.

The jury acquitted Henderson of one of two attempted tax evasion counts and of obstruction of justice.

Rotary installs member

Sikeston Rotarian Bill Baker, left, presents new member Arnold Stone a copy of the Rotary Four-Way Test during installation ceremonies Monday night. Stone has been a long-standing Rotarian in the Morley Club and recently served as the club's president. Also, plans were completed for the Sikeston club's annual Christmas party to be held at 6 p.m. Monday, and the club will be host to Rotarians and their wives from the Chaffee, Morley, Bell City, Dexter, Delta, New Madrid and Malden Rotary Clubs.

Angered cattlemen to stage beef-in

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cattlemen disgruntled over low prices for their beef are driving 50 head of cattle to Agriculture Secretary Earl L. Butz's doorstep.

In the last part of a "beef-in" that left Bison, S.D., late last week, the cattlemen planned to bring the cows by truck today to a makeshift pen just outside Butz's office.

Butz agreed Tuesday to meet with representatives of the South Dakota and Montana cattlemen, who are sponsoring the cattle drive, and the Consumer Federation of America.

The group plans to offer to present Butz with 10 of the cattle and have the rest slaughtered by union butchers for Christmas distribution to Washington's poor.

Whether Butz would accept the steers was unresolved, an Agriculture Department spokesman said.

The protesters scheduled a noon rally to explain the economic squeeze brought on by declining livestock prices and higher production costs.

Burmese capital quiet after seizure of U Thant's body

By FREDERICK C. GRAY
Associated Press Writer

Rangoon was reported quiet today as troops enforced martial law, but an American embassy official said casualties in street fighting Wednesday were heavy and thousands were jailed.

Protests by students, workers and Buddhist monks in the Burmese capital erupted after the army's seizure early Wednesday of the body of former United Nations Secretary-General U Thant.

It was one of the strongest challenges to President Ne Win since he seized power in 1962. But Edward D. Franco, the information officer at the U.S. embassy, said in a telephone interview that the opposition to the government was not ideological, it was due to rising prices and widespread economic hardship.

Martial law was declared Wednesday afternoon after students and workers roamed the streets of Rangoon setting fire to police stations and other public buildings.

The government radio said one person was killed and three were injured. But Franco said this count was "way too low."

"We get reports many more were killed. Hospitals are filling up rapidly with wounded," he said.

He said there had been thousands of arrests, and "the military has been very heavy handed.

"Massive numbers of troops are in the city, surrounding all government buildings and patrolling the streets in convoys of trucks. They continue to surround the university and the new U Thant tomb by the Shwedagon Pagoda in the center of the city.

"The people have no arms."

News censorship was in effect, and the government was restricting the entry of foreign newsmen to the country.

U Thant, a political foe of Ne Win, died in New York on Nov. 25. A huge crowd of students and Buddhist monks seized his coffin from the funeral procession last Thursday, charging that the government was not paying him suitable homage, and interred it Sunday in a brick tomb on the Rangoon University campus.

Ne Win sent the army into the campus to recover the body after crowds flocked to the campus to pay homage at the tomb.

While Thant's body was hurriedly placed in a new tomb near the Shwedagon, the country's holiest shrine, "troops made repeated sweeps through the campus, arresting students who were trying to hide in the university buildings," Franco reported.

"Crowds of people started appearing, roaming the city of Rangoon, burning public buildings.

"Contrary to official reports, I saw no private looting. Public buildings, especially police stations, were the targets. There was a big fire at the government construction corporation, and small arms fire could be heard around the city.

"A special civil authority was established in Rangoon Wednesday morning, but at the request of the city government martial law was imposed at 4 p.m. and a 6 p.m.-to-6 a.m. curfew was imposed on the city.

"Last night was very quiet, and this morning is also very quiet. I saw no demonstrations, no public gatherings."

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford plans to nominate Atty. Gen. William B. Saxbe as ambassador to India and is looking for a new attorney general, reliable sources say.

"I'll soon be leaving," Saxbe told friends in Ohio Wednesday night. But he told reporters any announcement must come from the White House.

Administration sources and associates of Saxbe in his native Ohio said Saxbe has agreed to accept the ambassadorship.

The White House was expected to announce the choice of Saxbe to replace Daniel Patrick Moynihan as soon as the Indian government expresses approval, probably by the end of the week.

Saxbe was said to be well-acquainted with Indian officials because of several trips there since 1971.

The move would put the Justice Department in the hands of the fifth attorney general in as many years.

Ford has been under pressure from some members of Congress and other groups to rid the Cabinet of all the holdovers from the administration of former President Richard M. Nixon. No Cabinet members have left since Ford took office.

Saxbe was Nixon's fourth and last nominee for attorney general and was sworn into office last Jan. 4.

The former Ohio senator has figured prominently in weeks-long speculation about an impending Cabinet shakeup, even though he was never considered a Nixon loyalist and he maintained his independence from the White House during Nixon's final months in office.

But Saxbe was widely criticized for blunders during his first four months at the Justice Department. Always outspoken, he stirred the greatest criticism when he labeled kidnaped heiress Patricia Hearst "a common criminal" before she had been charged with a crime.

Since that remark last April 17, Saxbe generally has kept his personal opinions to himself.

Saxbe had announced his retirement from the Senate after one term when Nixon picked him as attorney general following the "Saturday night massacre" when Elliot L. Richardson and William D. Ruckelshaus resigned as the two top Justice Department officials.

They quit to protest Nixon's attempt to fire the special Watergate prosecutor.

The Wall Street Journal reported recently that Ford is considering as Saxbe's replacement John Robson.

WOTTA MESS was the result of the heaviest day of trading on the New York Stock Exchange earlier this month. With traders and investors flooding the market exchanging 26,360 shares that day, maintenance crews found themselves facing a whopping clean-up.

Grayson says price controls re-establishment probable

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The former price commission chairman for President Nixon says re-establishment of price controls looks like the politically expedient step and the odds of it being taken are 60-70 per cent favorable.

However, "it only buys short-term gain for long-term pain," said C. Jackson Grayson Jr., dean of the business school at Southern Methodist University. When controls are removed, prices would bulge again, just as they did after the Nixon program, he said.

Grayson spoke Wednesday at the annual meeting of Farmland Industries here.

Grayson, who headed the price-control side of the Nixon program's Phase II from late 1971 to early 1973, said wage-price controls are not needed to curb inflation, that recession is curbing inflation unassisted. He said he favors a free-market solution to price problems and projected inflation next year—without controls—at 8 per cent, compared with the 11-12 per cent rate this year.

He pointed to polls that indicate 60 per cent of the citizenry favor wage-price controls. Then he pointed to the program endorsed by Democrats last week at their midterm convention here featuring across-the-board action. Grayson labeled that a dramatic political step designed to assuage the public.

But controls can result in decreased productivity and result in shortages and black markets, he said.

Male students at the University of Washington have requested hair dryers be placed in locker rooms.

Reward offered in ritualistic cattle slayings

DENVER (AP)—The American Humane Association has offered a $500 reward in connection with suspected cult slayings of cattle in the western United States.

Law enforcement officers believe cults are involved in the bizarre slayings, which have been reported in Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and Minnesota.

The animals' sex organs are generally mutilated or removed, according to officials. In an incident near Wray, Colo., two weeks ago, Yuma County Sheriff Gerald Davis said it appeared that blood had been pumped from a 1,100 pound Hereford cow before removal of sex organs and one ear.

The reward, offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons involved in the ritualistic-style slayings, was initially established last week in Minnesota.

R.T. Phillips, executive director of the association, said reports of such incidents are increasing and becoming more widespread.

The most recent report, which occurred last week, was of eight cattle slain in 11 days near Glenwood Springs, Colo. In Nebraska's Platte County, 44 such crimes were reported in the past month.

"The killings are certainly illegal, and there are many indications that they are extremely inhumane," Phillips said.

4 plead guilty, get prison terms

CARUTHERSVILLE — Four men pleaded guilty last week in Pemiscot County Circuit Court before Judge William Ragland and were sentenced to jail terms in the State Department of Corrections.

Three men pleaded guilty to armed robbery, including Odie Clifford Bogan, Jessie Lee Bogan and Jimmie Lee Rayford. The Bogans were sentenced to 10 years each in the state penitentiary and Rayford, who drove the getaway auto, was sentenced to five years in prison.

The armed robbery occurred Oct. 23 at El RAncho Motel in Hayti. Taken were two rifles and $1,100 in cash.

The other man sentenced to prison was Robert Grubbs. He was charged with felonious stealing and jail escape. He was sentenced to two years on each charge, with the jail sentences to run consecutively.

Grubbs was charged with felonious stealing in connection with the Sept. 12 theft of $52 from a pay telephone in Steele. He later was charged with escaping from the Pemiscot County jail on Oct. 18.

Pemiscot County Magistrate Court was held Monday and Thursday last week. Judge Sidney Chaffin presided.

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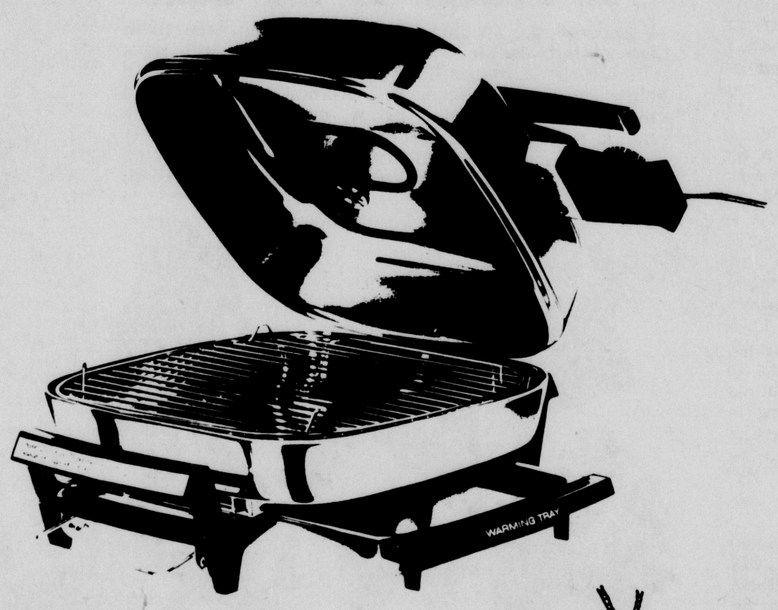

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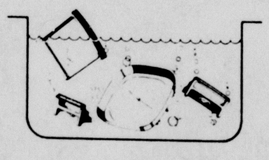

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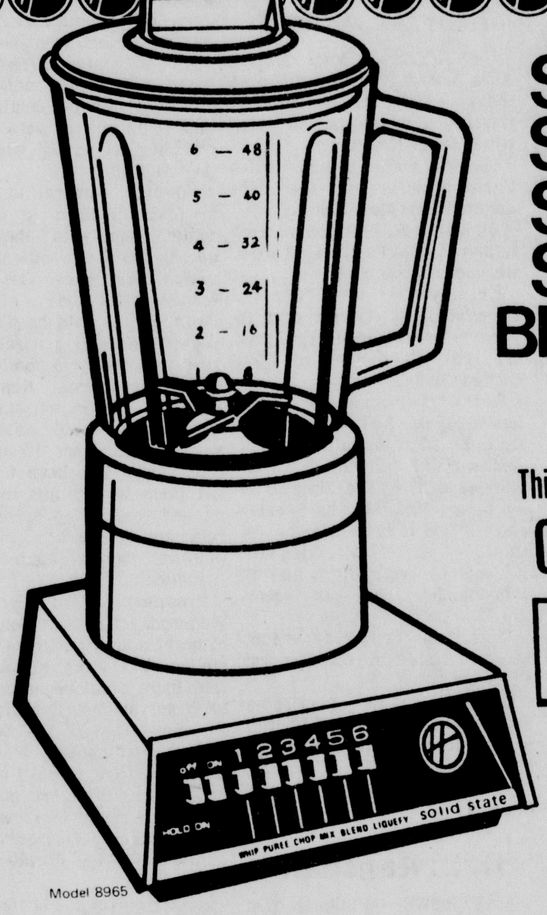

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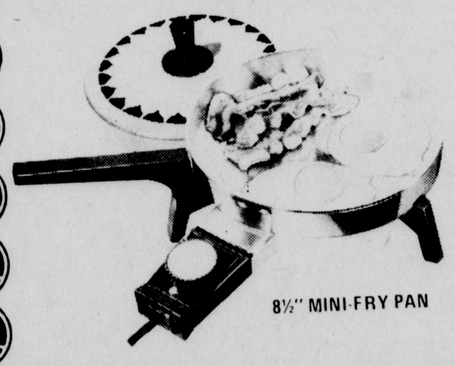

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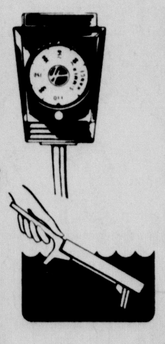

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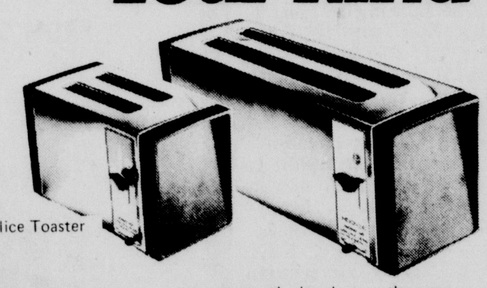

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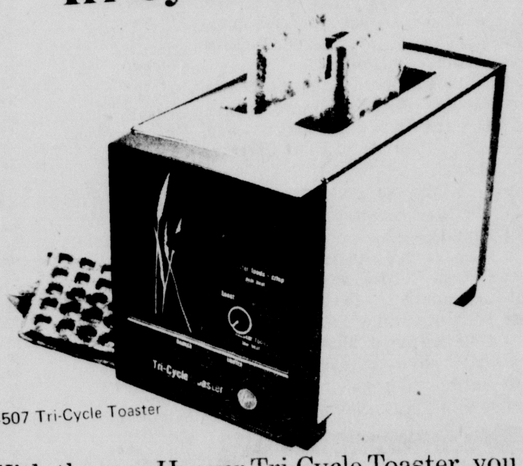

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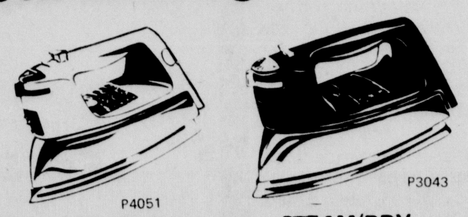

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Deaths

Simon Tanner

NEW MADRID — Simon A. Tanner, 68, a retired Municipal Light and Power Co. plant engineer, died Wednesday at Missouri Delta Community Hospital in Sikeston, where he had been a patient for one day.

Born Oct. 2, 1906 in Malden, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Green Tanner.

He retired in 1972 from the Municipal Light and Power Co., where he had been employed more than 25 years.

On Sept. 3, 1927, he married to Nellie Rachel Price, who survives.

Other survivors include six sons, Doyle, William "Billy", Samuel and Jackie Lee Tanner of New Madrid, Travis Leon Tanner of Spanish Lake and Garrion Michael Tanner, stationed in the Navy in California; four daughters, Helen Virginia Dare of Spanish Lake, Barbara Ann Superko of Lemay and Nellie Marie Harrelston and Reba Doris Adkins of Parsons, Tenn.; three sisters, Telia Davis of New Madrid, Clara Clutts of Centerville and Nora Hansen of Omaha, Neb.; one brother, Ben Tanner of Blodgett; and 36 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at Richards Funeral Home, where services are scheduled at 2:30 p.m. Friday. The Rev. Orvil McKinney will officiate.

Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

Larry A. Larson

Larry Arthur Larson, 68, died at 11:45 p.m. Thursday in Shuffit's Nursing Home. No. 3.

He was born Nov. 12, 1906 at Havana, Ill., and was a retired minister and a World War II veteran.

Surviving are one brother, Chester Larson of Indiana, and five sisters, Mrs. Ivar Pierson and Mrs. Virgie Genaudt of Rockford, Ill., and Mrs. George Baker, Mrs. Verrne Hildrebrand and Mrs. Lyle Hildebrand of Monroe City, Ill.

The body is at Bill o'Guinn Funeral Home, where arrangements are incomplete.

Samuel Sumpter

ANNISTON — Samuel L. "Jack" Sumpter, 71, a retired construction worker, died at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday in Missouri Delta Community Hospital at Sikeston following an extended illness.

He was born Feb. 18, 1903 in Lehigh, Okla., to the late Mr. and Mrs. John Elvin Sumpter and has lived in Mississippi County most of his life.

He was a member of the Baptist Church and Plumbers and Pipefitters Union Local No. 171 of Wichita, Kan.

On Feb. 19, 1951, he married Juanita Balding, who survives.

Friends may call after 5 p.m. today at Shelby Funeral Home in East Prairie, where services are scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Friday. The Rev. John Terry of Mayfield, Ky., will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Anniston Cemetery.

James A. Bates

BLOOMFIELD — James Aaron Bates, infant son of Terry Joe and Glenda Joyce Bates, died shortly after birth Tuesday in a Cape Girardeau hospital

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are three sisters, Cheryle Ann, Ronda Rae and Cathy Lea Bates of the home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Greene, of Torrance, Calif. and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bates of Puxico.

A private prayer service was conducted at 10 a.m. today in Duffie-Rainey Funeral Home at Bernie by the Rev. Clytee Harness of Advance.

Burial was in Bernie Cemetery.

Matthew Condict

BERNIE — Matthew Lynn Condict, infant son of Susan Condict, died Tuesday at University of Missouri Medical Center in Columbia.

He was born Nov. 27, 1974 at Lucy Lee Hospital in Poplar Bluff.

He was preceded in death by a twin brother, Mark, on Dec. 1.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, is his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Condict of Bernie.

A private prayer service was conducted at 11:30 a.m. today in Duffie-Rainey Funeral Home by the Rev. Lloyd Anderson.

Burial was in Bernie Cemetery.

Martha Arnold

CHAFFEE — Mrs. Martha Anna Arnold, 79, died about 4 a.m. today at the Host House in Charleston, where she had been a patient since Nov. 7.

She was born April 15, 1895 at Caruthersville to the late Jeremiah and Mary Johnson.

On March 21, 1920, she married Luther Lee Arnold of Chaffee, who died Nov. 30, 1956.

Employed at Chaffee Manufacturing Co. for over 28 years before retiring in April 1962, she was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Leslie Spink of St. Charles and Luther Lee Arnold Jr. of Jacksonville, Fla.; four daughters, Mrs. Ted Simpher of Jennings, Mrs. Martha Sheeley and Mrs. Robert Kerley of Chaffee and Mrs. Glendola Enderle of Scott City; and 17 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call after 6:30 p.m. today at Amick-Burnett Funeral Chapel.

Services are scheduled at 2 p.m Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Paul Weber, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Unioin Park Cemetery.

H. L. Ragsdale

MATTHEWS — Pallbearers at services today for Herbert L. Ragsdale, 65, who died Monday, were Adair Thorpe, Mike Stovall, Buck Sutton, Junior Trail, Gene Warren and Marvin Hahn.

William Hawkins

COMMERCE — Services for William Hawkins, 85, who died Tuesday are scheduled at 2 p.m. Friday in Amick-Burnett Funeral Home at Benton with the Rev. Dean Hency, pastor of the Commerce Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Oakdale Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Don Nimmo, Tom Hawkins, Dick Hanheide, Frank Glaus, Pete King, Rick Hanheide, Pat Hawkins and William Beardslee.

Bertha Anna Messersmith

Bertha Anna Messersmith, 86, of 814 Gulf St. was pronounced dead on arrival at 12:47 p.m. Wednesday at Missouri Delta Community Hospital.

She was born Aug. 26, 1888 in Nevada, Mo., to the late George Dry and Clara C. Souders Dry and was a member of First Christian Church.

On May 30, 1905, she married Michael Messersmith, who died Sept. 15, 1917.

Survivors include oneson, George F. Messersmith, address unavailable; four daughters, Mary Henson of Sikeston, Pearl Gillenwatter of Muskogee, Okla., and Goldie and Minnie Messersmith, addresses unavailable; two brothers, Nathan Graves of Marshfield and Thad Graves of Emporia, Kan.; three sisters, Mrs. Sarah Muse and Mrs. Henrietta Andres of Emporia, Kan., and Mrs. Georgia Moppens of Oregon; and eight grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Friday in Bill O'Guinn Funeral Home with the Rev. Len Meyers, associate pastor of First Assembly of God Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Carpenter Cemetery.

Vote on Rockefeller scheduled

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nelson A. Rockefeller's confirmation as vice president appears headed for almost 2 to 1 approval by the House Judiciary Committee despite nagging conern over his money.

An Associated Press survey found 25 of the 38 members inclined to vote for confirmation, nine inclined to vote against and four not saying which way they will go.

However, several of the 25 members inclined to vote for confirmation said they were uneasy about it and could yet switch their votes. The vote is scheduled for today. Chairman Peter Rodino said he didn't expect more than a dozen members to oppose the nomination.

One Republican, Rep. Lawrence J. Hogan of Maryland, was among those refusing to say. Several other Republicans said Hogan has been trying to get them to join him in voting no and that he appeared to be reluctant to be the only Republican voting against confirmation.

President Ford predicted Wednesday that the House will overwhelmingly confirm Rockefeller next week although he said there could be as many as 100 votes against Rockefeller.

Commenting on the Senate's confirmation Tuesday by a vote of 90 to 7, Ford said, "I assume the House will do roughly the same." He noted there were 35 votes against his own confirmation as vice president last year.

The President made the comments to Rockefeller's brother, David, during a meeting at the White House.

Ford said Rockefeller would be sworn in as vice president shortly after the House confirmation next Thursday or Friday but said it has not been decided where.

Nearly all of Nelson Rockefeller's opponents and some of his supporters on the House Judiciary Committee cited potential conflict of interest from his wealth and his loans and gifts to public officials.

WEATHER ELSEWHERE

By The Associated Press .. Thursday

	HI	LO	PRC	Otlk
Albany	36	24	..	rn
Albu'que	43	23	..	cdy
Amarillo	51	23	..	cdy
Anchorage	30	20	.01	sn
Asheville	49	30	..	cdy
Atlanta	53	46	.01	clr
Birmingham	56	40	.02	cdy
Bismarck	42	25	..	cdy
Boise	43	32	.16	cdy
Boston	45	34	..	rn
Brownsville	63	54	..	cdy
Buffalo	40	34	.04	rn
Charleston	59	45	..	cdy
Charlotte	52	40	.13	cdy
Chicago	40	34	.20	cdy
Cincinnati	43	37	.06	rn
Cleveland	39	35	.37	rn
Denver	45	27	..	cdy
Des Moines	45	25	..	cdy
Detroit	35	33	.29	sn
Duluth	34	15	..	cdy
Fairbanks	8	-10	..	cdy
Fort Worth	50	35	..	clr
Green Bay	37	19	..	clr
Helena	44	33	.02	rn
Honolulu	84	72	..	cdy
Houston	62	50	..	cdy
Ind'apolis	37	35	.22	cdy
Jacks'ville	62	47	..	rn
Juneau	39	37	.06	rn
Kansas City	38	31	.40	clr
Las Vegas	54	39	..	cdy
Little Rock	46	35	..	cdy
Los Angeles	66	48	..	cdy
Louisville	45	42	.10	cdy
Mrquette	37	27	..	cdy
Memphis	51	41	.33	cdy
Miami	70	68	..	cdy
Milwaukee	38	26	..	cdy
Mpls-St. P.	43	22	..	cdy
New Orleans	68	47	.12	cdy
New York	44	42	..	rn
Okla. ity	39	27	..	cdy
Omaha	50	23	..	cdy
Orlando	63	49	..	cdy
Philad'phia	47	37	..	rn
Phoenix	60	37	..	clr
Pittsburgh	44	36	.02	rn
P'tland, Ore.	54	35	.22	rn
P'tland, Me.	46	29	..	cdy
Rapid City	46	23	..	cdy
Richmond	48	39	.01	cdy
St. Louis	42	32	.33	clr
Salt Lake	36	30	.02	cdy
San Diego	63	48	..	cdy
San Fran	50	48	..	cdy
Seattle	51	37	..	rn
Spokane	47	27	..	cdy
Tampa	74	54	..	cdy
Washington	50	41	..	cdy

Hi—Previous day's high.
Lo—This morning's low.
Prc—Precipitation for 24 hours ending 8 a.m. today Eastern time.
Otlk—Sky conditions outlook for today.

Roughing it '70s style: Putting up an artificial three foot Christmas tree in a condominium.

We'd hang up our stocking but all the goodies would fall out of the holes in the toes.

If you don't think the little things count, try taking one piece from the trove of your kid's Christmas candy.

The Leader of the Band

— and also the creator — is Daisy Welch, who turns peanuts into people. What began 25 years ago as a time-passer during an illness has become more than a hobby for the Bradford, Pa., woman. It is her own unique art form. Tools, below, are simple and the results, right, striking. Her "people" have been widely shown and have won awards at the American Doll Show and, naturally, the National Peanut Exposition.

Tourism advertisements win awards for excellence

JEFFERSON CITY-- Promotional efforts of the Missouri Division of Tourism have received awards for excellence in recent months. The divsiion's spring advertising campaign and a new film on Missouri have both been singled out for praise.

The Women's Advertising Club of St. Louis honored the division's advertising campaign with a Flair Award on Nov. 6. The award is given annually for outstanding advertising produced and appearing in the St. Louis Midwest area. The tourism ads, using the theme, "Seek out the untold secrets of Missouri," were designated as the best complete newspaper campaign by a regional advertiser.

Tourism director James L. Pasley accepted the award on behalf of the division and its advertising agency, D'Arcy-MacManus & Masius of St. Louis.

The division's new film "Seven Ways To Get Away", has received several honors since its release earlier this year. Most recently, the Film Council of Greater Columbus, Ohio, named it as a Bronze Plaque Winner at an awards banquet ending the 22nd annual Columbus Film Festival on Oct. 24.

The 12-minute film, featuring many of the things to see and do in Missouri's seven vacation regions, had been entered in the festival's commercial travel category. Earlier, the film had received a Golden Eagle for exceptional merit from the Council on International Non-Theatrical Events in Washington, D.C.

In addition to the awards it has won, the new film on Missouri was selected by the United States Information Agency last summer to be translated into French and Spanish for showing in Europe.

And just last month, the U.S. Information Agency bought 18 more copies of the film in English for showing at U.S. embassies overseas and on foreign television.

Civic and school groups can get copies of the film on loan here in Missouri or anywhere in the U.S. by writing: Film Librarian, Division of Tourism, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101.

Funds approved for highway safety features

JEFEFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—The Missouri Highway Commission Wednesday approved $4.6 million to start building safety features such as breakaway signs on the state's older highways.

The funds—90 per cent from the federal government and 10 per cent from the state—will go for 84 projects throughout Missouri.

Highways built within the last four years had these safety features installed during construction.

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5,000 and 7,500 were awarded the designation.

In the daily field, 60 per cent of those with circulation between 2,500 and 5,000 were successful as were 75 per cent of those between 5,000 and 7,500. The percentages dropped, however, for dailies between 7,500 and 10,000 to 57.9 per cent, zoomed to 100 per cent for dailies between 10,000 and 20,000 and dropped again to 69.3 per cent for dailies over 20,000 circulation.

Although many former Blue Ribbon newspapers achieved the designation again, some former standard bearers did not measure up this year. Coffman, NEF president, attributed this to the overall improved quality of participating newspapers, and said the judges may be getting more critical.

Coffman said that "the advent of offset, the use of illustrative material and the opening up of the news columns make newspapers more attractive to the reader and more appealing to the eye. The reproduction of half-tones and the quality of make-up and presswork is vastly improved and continues to show improvement each year."

He added, "the one outstanding feature of most of the Blue Ribbon newspapers is the development of the editorial page. Many newspapers not only feature an attractive editorial page offering good comment on local issues, but often offer editorial cartoons to highlight the page. The public opinion forum offered through the 'Letters to the Editor' also shows that many newspapers are getting input from their readers which demonstrates their concern for the local communities they serve."

The National Editorial Foundation, established in 1957, is dedicated to the improvement of journalism and journalism education. It has conducted the annual Blue Ribbon Newspaper Evaluation program since 1969.

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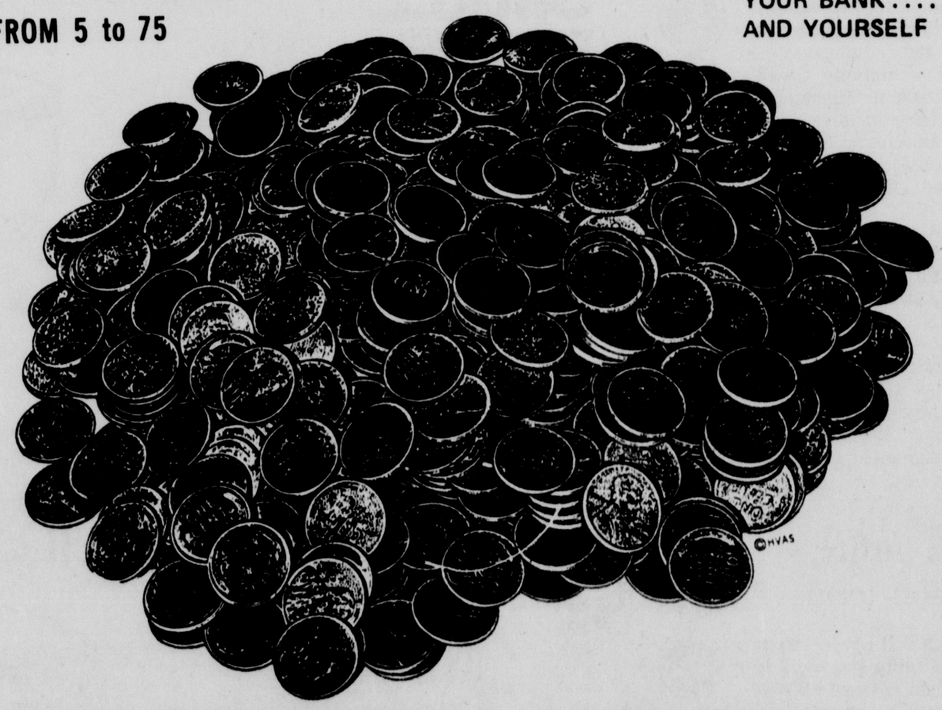

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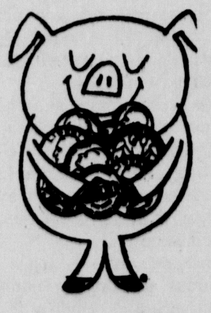

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Thurmond, Mullens named All-State

A pair of Southeast Missouri high school football stars were honored today by being named to the Missouri Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association all-state football team.

Richard Thurmond, 1 6-foot East Prairie senior end, was honored along with Kennett's Kenneth Mullens, a 6-foot-2 215 pound senior defensive end. Nine other Bootheel gridders were honored by receiving honorable mention recognition.

Southeast Missouri failed to place a team in the state playoffs for the first time since its inception five years ago.

Ladue High school of St. Louis County didn't make it to the championship game in Missouri 4-A football but it dominated the class' all-state team

Ladue, which lost to St. Louis Sumner in the semifinals 6-0, placed five players on the all-state first team. Sumner and Columbia, the state 4-a champion, each placed two players on the first team.

Boonville, the 3-A champ, led its division with four entries on the all-state team, as did St. Louis Country Day in 2-A and Lockwood in 1-A.

The only sophomore named to any of the four all-state teams was Jeff Steward, a kicking specialist at Tarkio in 1-A

Dennis Campbell, who plays offensive guard and linebacker at King City, made both the offensive and defensive teams in 1-A. Paul Miller, a quarterback and Punter at West Platte, was named to the 2-A team in both positions.

Two brothers from Tipton also were named to the 2-A all-state team--Kirk Koechner, a senior running back, and his brother Kyle, a junior defensive end.

Thurmond is a two year letterman at EPHS where he was second team all-league last season and was named the South's first team split end this year.

In nine games this season, Thurmond caught 35 passes for 624 yards and four touchdowns, an average of over 17 yards per catch.

His coach, Ed Nichols, describes Thurmond as an "excellent blocker".

Defensively, Thurmond played safety on defense, had 41 tackles, 23 assists and intercepted three passes.

His best game was against arch-rival Charleston, where he caught 10 passes for 209 yards.

Thurmond was named to the Daily Standard all-star and all-academic team with his B+ baverage.

Mullens played offensive tackle on the KHS Indians strong side and was the center of traps all season.

Defensively Mullens played to the strong side of the opponents offense and finished the season with 82 individual tackles and listed 38 assists.

All-State honorable mention

CLASS AA

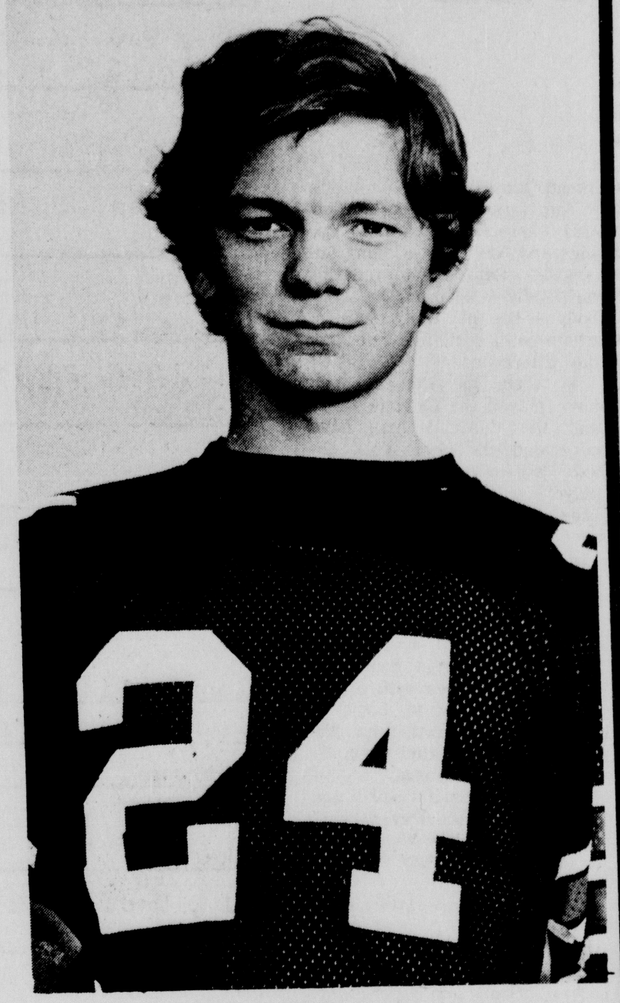
Southeast Missouri athletes only: Alex Clinton, Hayti Dan White, Hayti; Eddie Martin, Hayti; Steve Hanschen, Illmo-Scott City;

CLASS AAA

Greg Johnson, Charleston; Kent Stegall, Malden.

CLASS AAAA

Scott Harrell, Poplar Bluff; David Gross, Cape Girardeau Central; Mike Moss, Poplar Bluff.



Richard Thurmond

Key NMC clash scheduled tonight

MATTHEWS---"Just for the Fans!"

That's what the coaches and school officials say about the off night schedule that finds the undefeated Lilbourn Panthers visiting the Matthews Pirates tonight in a key New Madrid county league encounter.

Schools normally set their games on Tuesday and Friday night, but because of the interest that this encounter has generated, the two teams have gone to an "off night" schedule to offer the Bootheel round ball fan the opportunity to take in the contest.

Lilbourn ran their winning streak to 20 straight games since losing to North Pemiscot late last season, claiming the 2A state championship, North Pemiscot and Sikeston invitational titles since that time. The Panthers are 9-0 this season.

Tuesday night the Panthers made easy work of the Poplar Bluff Mules 64-49, using another balanced offensive attack to defeat their opponent.

All-State junior Frankie Robinson paced the LHS offense with 18 points. Archie Boyd and Ernest McFerren had 16 each to round out the double figure scoring for Lilbourn. Robert Dodd scored 20 for high game honors and Poplar Bluff's leading effort.

Lilbourn defensed its way out to a 15-8 first quarter lead and was never out-scored in any of the eight minute quarters.

Poplar Bluff started the night's hardwood action with a 55-46 win behind Bob Duncan's 14 point leadership. Carl Burton tallied 15 for the Panthers top effort.

Matthews has been up and down all season, taking a 50 point beating at the hands of Scott Central early before taking on the same Braves and playing them down to the wire before losing by less than 10 points in the Oran tournament. The Pirates followed that outstanding performance with a lack-luster game and took a 20 point thrashing from Oran.

Coach Carl Ritter's MHS cagers should be primed for the key league contest and the Pirates cove should be filled for the big clash.

Tuesday's LHS scoring against Poplar Bluff:

LILBOURN (64)

McFerren 16, Det. Treadwell 5, Boyd 16, Robinson 18, Irons 4, Don Treadwell 4, Blair 1. Totals: FG-27; FT-10; PF-12.

POPLAR BLUFF (49)

Dodd 20, Harrell 17, Eddington 2, Turner 4, Blackman 2, Threlkeld 2, Shrum 2. Totals: FG-21; FT-7; PF-15.

Score by Quarters:

Lilbourn	15	23	14	12-64
Poplar Bluff	8	19	10	12-49

Kenneth Mullens

Cardinals need Sunday victory

ST. LOUIS, Mo.--The National Football Conference Eastern Division championship race wil go down to the final week of the season--with the St. Louis Football Cardinals needing a victory over the New York Giant Giants Sunday to nail down their first divisional title in St. Louis.

Kickoff for the Big Red-Giants game in Busch Memorial Stadium will be at 1:05 p.m. (CST) , and tickets are on sale for the game.

The Cardinals go into this weekend tied with the Washington Redskins for first place in the NFC East with 9-4 records. The Big Red were upset for the second straight week last Sunday, losing at New Orleans, 14-0, while a night later, the Redskins forged the tie with a 23-17 victory at Los Angeles.

On Sunday, the Redskins close their regular season schedule at home against the Chicago Bears,. If both the Cardinals and Redskins win Sunday, both will finish with 10-4 records, but the Big Red will be the division champs on the basis of having defeated the Redskins in both head-to-head meetings this season.

However, if the Cardinals lose their third straight game, and the Redskins defeat the Bears, then Washington would become the NFC East Winner and would play at Minnesota, the NFC Central winner, at noon on Saturday, December 21 instead of the Cardinals.

The NFC wildcard team, the runner up in the NFC East, will play at NFC West winner Los Angeles at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 22.

For the Big Red to win their tenth game--also something they have never accomplished in their 15 years in St. Louis--they will have to shake off an offensive slump that saw their running game produce only 64 yards against the Saints. It marked the first time theCardinals have been shut out since 1971. And the Cardinals must defeat the Giants, a team that over the years has built up a 46-17-1 series lead, and in the past has dealt other Big Red playoff teams damaging setbacks.

This year,, the Giants stand 2-11, but three of their last four losses were decided by field goals with two, three and 35 seconds remaining. In the first St. Louis-New York meeting this season, the Big Red won, 23-21, on Jim Bakken's 36-yard field goal with three seconds left.

That victory, three weeks ago, was the Big Red's most recent. Since then, they have lost to Kansas City (17-13), and the Saints. The double losses have concerned head coach Don Coryell.

"We were disappointed last week," Coryell said. "I thought we would play a great game -- as it turned out we didn't play well at all. We've been working hard for five months. Maybe we hit a stage of staleness, but hopefully the shock of the New Orleans defeat will being us out of it."

BASKETBALL

NORFOLK, Va. — The American Basketball Association's Virginia Squires announced the suspension of rookie guard Bill Higgins for "irresponsible conduct."

Royals frosh defeat GHS

GIDEON---Twin Rivers' freshmen beat Gideon here Monday night 53-44 as Maclin fired in 13 points to lead the Royals. Chris Campbell scored 12 for the Bulldogs.

Twin Rivers took an 11-4 lead at the end of the first quarter and held on for the win.

Scoring:

GIDEON (44)

Landers 9, Campbell 12, Hickson 6, Nettles 8, Johnson 2, Brown 5. Totals: FG-15; FT-28; PF-28.

TWIN RIVERS (53)

Breckendridge 7, Walls 5, Maclin 13, Foust 15, Leutert 2, DeCourley 4, Acre 7. Totals: FG-17; FT-37; PF-28.

Score by Quarters:

Gideon	4	14	15	11-44
Twin Rivers	11	15	12	115-53

Prep All-State

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OFFENSIVE

E — Rich Thurmond, East Prairie	6-0	160	Sr.
E — Les Bond, St. Louis Country Day	6-0	170	Sr.
T — Paul Allmon, St. Louis Country Day	6-0	210	Sr.
T — Danny Bohlmeyer, Centralia	6-2	192	Sr.
G Duane Flageolle, Cabool	5-11	160	Sr.
G — Paul Detien, St. L. Country Day	5-11	170	Sr.
C David Shelley, Cassville	6-0	210	Sr.
+Q — Paul Miller, West Platte	6-3	195	Sr.
RB — Kirk Koechner, Tipton	5-10	190	Sr.
RB — Gary Forrest, St. L. Country Day	5-8	160	Sr.
RB — Dennis Hope, Brookfield	5-10	180	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Kyle Koechner, Tipton	5-8	155	Jr.
E — Rob Albersworth, Higginsville	6-4	215	Sr.
L — Rod Schultz, St. Joseph LeBlond	6-1	215	Jr.
L — Robert Musser, East Buchanan	5-9	160	Sr.
L— Mike Aholt, St. Francis Borgia	5-10	192	Sr.
L — Randy Burkhart, Seneca	5-11	225	Sr.
L — Dan McGrath, St. Mary's Indep.	6-2	205	Sr.
L — Terry Wingbermuehle, St. Pius, Festus	6-4	225	Sr.
L — Tony Bolinger, California	5-8	150	Sr.
DB — John Romine, Centralia	6-0	190	Sr.
DB — Pete Miller, John Burroughs	5-10	150	Sr.
PS — Paul Miller, West Platte	6-3	195	Sr.
KS — George Ahlering, Priory	6-2	205	Jr.

+Repeater

CLASS A

OFFENSSIVE

E — Rob Maupin, Orrick	5-11	160	Jr.
E — Jim Meyer, Greenwood	6-4	185	Sr.
T — Tim Carter, Lathrop	6-1	185	Sr.
T — Dan Scheible, Norborne	6-0	185	SR.
G — Dennis Campbell, King City	5-9	173	Sr.
G — Craig Snodgrass, Lockwood	6-1	195	Sr.
C — Jack Huser, Lockwood	5-10	225	Sr.
Q — Keith Ross, Orrick	6-0	170	Jr.
&RB — Marvin Henderson, Norborne	6-0	180	Sr.
+RB — Nathan Wehrman, Lockwood	6-1	160	Sr.
RB — Mark Bailey, Lathrop	6-1	178	Sr.
RB — Mark Bailey, Lathrop	6-1	178	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Rick Rapp, Grain Valley	6-2	175	Sr.
E — Kent Kurthz, South Holt	6-4	195	Sr.
L — Mark Holcomb, Grain Valley	5-11	175	Sr.
L — Bob Ashby, Lone Jack	5-8	185	Sr.
L — Jerry Clemens, Rock Port	6-2	222	Sr.
L — Duane Sparks, North Shelby	6-0	170	Sr.
L — Bruce Lilienkamp, Lockwood	6-1	185	Sr.
L — Dennis Campbell, King City	5-9	173	Sr.
L — Mike Wackerman, Drexel	6-2	180	Sr.
DB — Rick Loveall, Lone Jack	5-11	175	Jr.
DB — Craig Barker, King City	5-9	140	Jr.
PS — Rick Rainey, King City	6-1	178	Jr.
KS — Jeff Steward, Tarkio	6-3	175	So.

+Repeater
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CLASS AAAA

OFFENSIVE

Pos., Player and School	Ht.	WT.	YR.
E — Ray Vollmer, Desmet	6-0	180	Sr.
E — Craig Bartholic, Afton	6-3	175	Sr.
T — Mark Goodspeed, Rockhurst	6-6	225	Sr.
T — Bobby McClure, Ladue	6-3	215	Sr.
G — Ron Lybarger, Wm. Chrisman	5-10	185	Sr.
G — Brian Wunderly, DeSmet	6-0	195	Sr.
C — Stanley Gunn, Sumner 6-2 230	Sr.		
Q — Mark McIntosh, Raytown S. 5-10 165	Jr.		
RB — Gerry Ellis, Col. Hickman	6-1	210	Sr.
+RB — Ben Cowens, Sumner	6-1	205	Sr.
RB — Brad Heck, Ladue	6-1	205	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Ron Crews, Col. Hickman	6-4	220	Sr.
E — Steve Hamilton, St. Louis Cen.	6-4	220	Sr.
L — Morgan Trokey, Springfield Kickapoo	6-1	196	Sr.
L — Tom Smith, Ladue	6-1	220	Sr.
L — Dennis Balagna, Winnetoka	6-3	250	Sr.
LB — Matt Golden, Ladue	5-11	180	Sr.
LB — Keith Brown, Soldan	6-1	200	Sr.
+LB — Chris Garlich, Rockhurst	6-2	205	Sr.
DB — Bill Beckett, KC Center	5-11	162	Sr.
DB — Kevin Woods, St. L. Southwest	5-9	176	Sr.
DB — Dave Schockley, Ladue	6-1	180	Sr.
PS — Larry Humberg, KC Southwest	5-10	160	Sr.
KS — Greg Sehnert, Normandy	6-1	170	Jr.

+Repeater

CLASS AAA

OFFENSIVE

E — Notie Pate, Joplin Memorial	6-4	190	Sr.
E — Hubert Guice, KC Lincoln	6-1	180	Sr.
T — Duane Scheible, Washington	5-10	205	Sr.
T — Janer Quint, Booneville	6-1	215	Sr.
G — Tom McNerney, St. Piusof KC	5-10	230	Sr.
G — Lewis Kincade, Maplewood	6-0	205	Jr.
+C — Paul Fitzgerald, Flat River	5-11	190	Sr.
Q — Mark Capra, St. Pius of KC	6-3	195	Sr.
&RB — Mark Thomas, Boonville	6-0	190	Sr.
RB — Chuck Lindley, Kennedy	6-0	190	Sr.
RB — Vince Divella, St. Pius of KC	6-0	170	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Ken Mullins, Kennett	6-2	215	Sr.
E — Tim McGonagle, Chaminade	6-0	175	Sr.
L — Jesse Love, St. Louis McKinley	6-0	170	Sr.
L — John Cunningham, Col. Rock Bridge	5-10	170	Jr.
L — Jerry Grodie, Pacific	6-4	220	Sr.
LB — Ron Neal, Cameron	6-0	185	Sr.
LB — Rick Kempf, Boonville	6-1	185	Jr.
LB — Andy Hagedorn, Washington	5-10	183	Sr.
LB — Darren Barnes, Houston	6-1	175	Sr.
DB — Darrell Dell, Union	5-10	160	Jr.
DB — Mark Hittner, Boonville	6-3	185	Sr.
PS — Guy McClure, Maplewood	6-2	200	Jr.
KS — Larry Basta, Maplewood	6-0	180	Sr.

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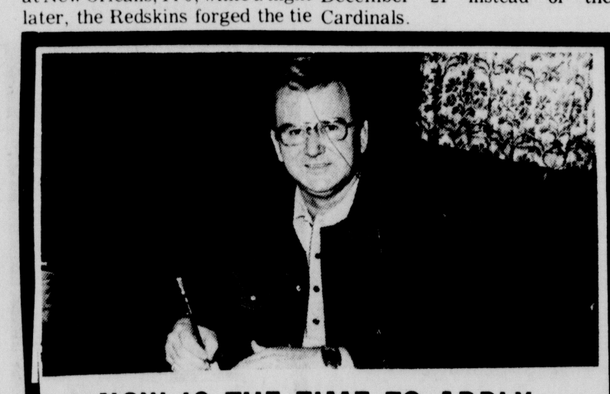

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NFL playoff schedules

NEW YORK (AP) — Set aside your pocket computers, slide rules and ouija boards, football fans. Nobody — not even Commissioner Pete Rozelle — knows where the Washington Redskins and St. Louis Cardinals will open their drives for the National Football League title.

The other six teams in the playoffs don't have that problem. The Oakland Raiders know they can expect a visit from the Miami Dolphins for an American Conference playoff game on Dec. 21, and AFC Central winner Pittsburgh will host the wild-card Buffalo Bills the next day in the other AFC first-round game.

The National Conference Central champion Minnesota Vikings and NFC West-winning Los Angeles Rams are preparing unfriendly welcomes for somebody — but they won't know for whom until sometime late Sunday afternoon.

By then, the Redskins will have played the Chicago Bears and the Cardinals will have concluded the New York Giants' season and each of the playoff-bound NFC teams will know what to tell their travel agents.

Should the Cardinals win, they'll take the East Division title and pack their long underwear for a trip to Minnesota's frozen northlands on Dec. 21. Even if Washington beats the Giants and finishes with a 10-4 record — same as St. Louis — the Cardinals would take the title for having beaten the Redskins twice this season.

Washington, as a result, can send their short-sleeved uniforms to the balmy West Coast for the Dec. 22 NFC playoff game.

The conference semifinal winners will meet on Dec. 29 to decide which two owners will have to foot the bills for a trip to New Orleans and Super Bowl IX on Jan. 12. But the sites for the conference championships won't be decided until there is one shopping day left before Christmas.

In the AFC, championship cities with priority belong to the West, Central and East in that order. So if Oakland beats Miami, they'll get the game; if Miami wins, they'd get the game, but only if Buffalo beats Pittsburgh. If the Dolphins and Steelers both win, the AFC title will be decided in Pittsburgh.

The NFC priority, meanwhile, is East, Central and West. Thus, with St. Louis or Washington playing Minnesota, the winner of that game will host the championship.

Simple, isn't it?

Hart wants more 'play privileges'

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Quarterback Jim Hart says it's a little late to change this year but he'd like more play-selection privileges with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1975.

"You get lazy," admitted Hart, whose plays through the Cards' 9-5 National Football League season have been sent in by messenger from Coach Don Coryell.

"But I'm not going to buck the system," Hart added. "We're in the playoffs, and I'll worry about play-calling in the off season. Perhaps they will have a different feeling then."

Hart says his desire to call his own plays peaked during the frustrations of the Cardinals' 14-0 upset loss Sunday to the New Orleans Saints.

"I have the prerogative to audible," he said, "but it's kind of difficult when half the time the plays come in late.

"I have to use a quick count then, and I just don't have time to be audible," he noted. "We came dangerously close Sunday to getting a penalty for too much time, and the officials warned us a lot the first half."

The Cardinals' all-time leading passer, Hart completed only two of 12 aerials the first half against the Saints and wound up with 16-for-39.

"It's more difficult to concentrate when you're not calling all the plays," the 30-year-old Hart summarized.

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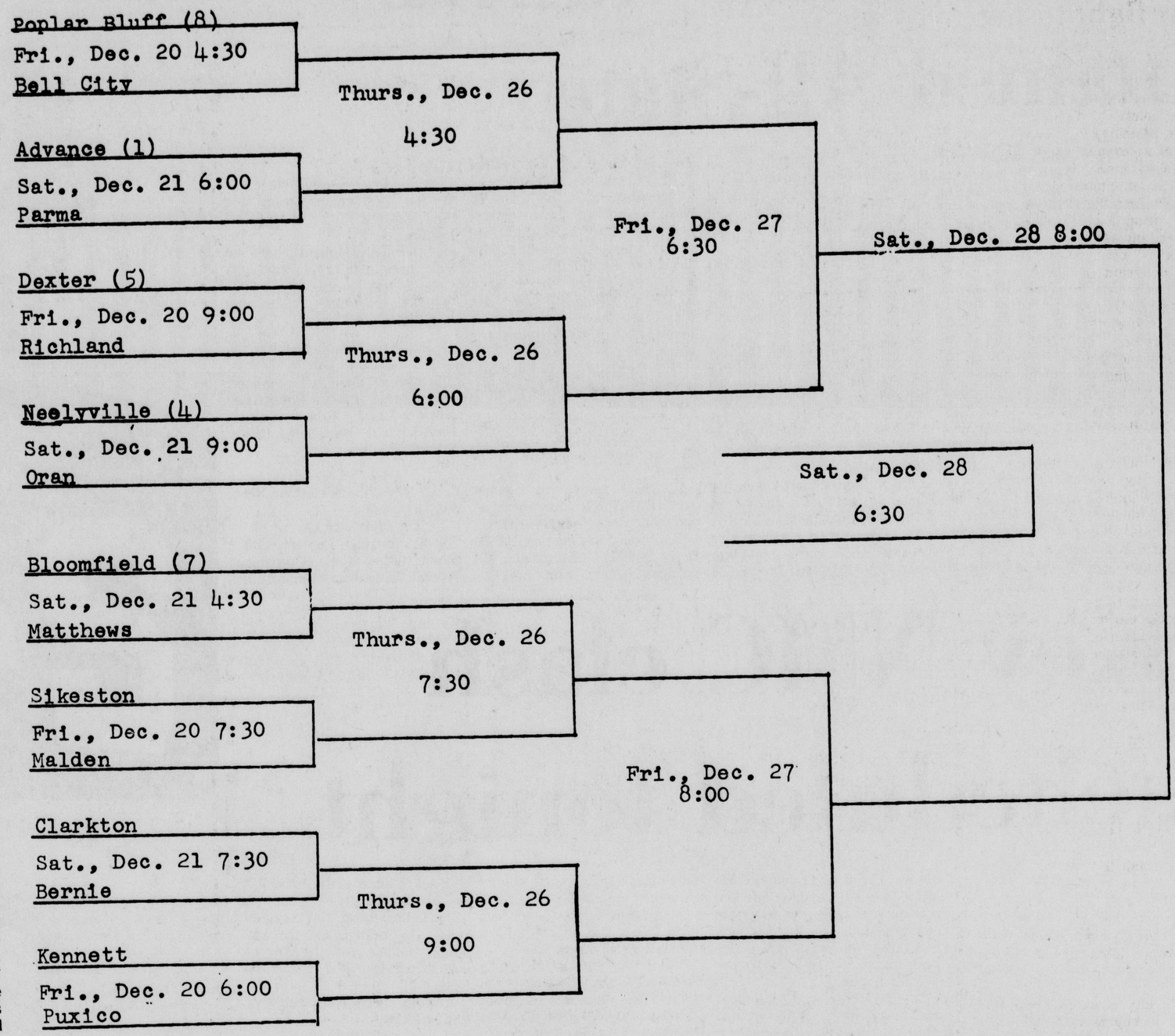

Wave drown Eagles

MALDEN — The MHS Greenwave came from a point first period deficit to run away from the East Prairie Eagles 81-71 here Tuesday night.

The Eagles took a 20-14 first period lead as the Malden players were cold in the shooting department but as the game progressed the Greenwave began to get hot and after trailing 39-34 at the half they rolled over the Eagles 24-14 in the third period and 23-18 in the fourth to even their season record at 2-2.

Malden forwards did the damage to the Eagles with 47 points between them as Clarence Sherrod scored 24 and Larry Moore hit 23. Williford scored 28 for the Eagles and Dixon hit 21.

Malden won the JV game 47-41 as Melvin Townes hit 22 points and Lee Johnson scored 18 for East Prairie.

Scoring:

MALDEN (81)
Sherrod 24, Moore 23, Barker 10, Thompson 10, Anderson 8, Leuckel 4, Provence 2. Totals: FG-35; FT-11; PF-18.

E. PRAIRIE (71)
Dixon 21, Williford 28, Shipman 9, Johnson 9, Bradley 4. Totals: FG-31; FT-9; PF-14.

Score by Quarters:

Malden	14	20	24	23	-81
E. Prairie	20	19	14	18	-71

Lions topple Ark.

SENATH — Coach Jim Isbell's SHHS Lions won their seventh game of the season against one loss by beating Caraway, Ark. 66-55 here Tuesday night. The Lions only loss came to Caraway in the Senath tournament earlier by only three points.

Senath outscored the Arkansas team 14-12 in the first period but increased the lead to 25 late in the fourth period before Caraway began to pick up.

Steve Droke scored 20 for the Lions. Roger Overman hit 17 for the losers. Senath defeated Delta C-7 Saturday night for their sixth win of the season.

Senath won the JV game 56-36 as David Kitchens scored 12 points.

Scoring:

SENATH (66)
Bost 13, Steve Droke 20, Lewis 3, Lemons 10, Pritchett 8, Duckworth 5, Hart 6, Arnold 1. Totals: FG-28; FT-10; PF-14.

CARAWAY, ARK (55)
Gibson 10, Johnson 4, Stevens 4, Killough 9, Overman 14, Gibson 7, Finch 4, Abernathy 3. Totals: FG-25; FT-5; PF-21.

Score by Quarters:

Senath	14	20	18	14	-66
Caraway	12	11	14	18	-55

Royals win 7th

BROSELY — Twin Rivers advanced their record to 7-1 Tuesday night when they defeated Naylor 78-50.

Twin Rivers played steady ball to move out from the Naylor team. At the half, the Royals held a 41-27 lead. From there, it was all downhill for the Eagles as they could not come up to the playing of Twin Rivers.

The home team shot 59 percent from the floor.

Leading scorer for Twin Rivers was Gary McBroom with 18. Stan Morgan and Jim Pope added 17 and 16 respectively. Johnson was high man for Naylor with 19.

Twin Rivers squeeked out a 50-48 win in the B-team. Mark Lance and Larry Acre scored 14 markers for the home team. Dan Brown also hit 14 for Naylor's high score.

Scoring:

TWIN RIVERS (78)
McBroom 18, Morgan 17, Pope 16. Totals: FG-36; FT-6; PF-25.

NAYLOR (50)
Johnson 19, Murdoch 13, Crumley 10. Totals: FG-19; FT-12; PF-23.

Score by Quarters:

Twin Rivers	20	21	17	20	-78
Naylor	14	13	13	10	-50

Cards win, beat Dogs

LUTESVILLE---Woodland came out on top of a 69-62 decision in a battle with the Zalma Bulldogs Tuesday night. The Cardinals moved their record to 5-2.

It was a close game with Zalma taking the first lead at the end of the opening quarter, 16-14. Woodland picked up two baskets over the visiting team to hold a 32-30 halftime lead.

The Cardinals began building up a lead from there. Zalma narrowed it down but could not penetrate the defensive field enough and had to suffer the loss.

Don Wesbecher hit for 19 points for the home team. Carl Black and Ron Wesbecher had 16 each. Zalma's Nicky West scored 20 with Kirkpatrick and Lineberry following with 18 and 12 points respectively.

Larry Gaines led the Woodland team to a 58-37 win in B-team action. Gaines scored 30 markers.

Scoring:

WOODLAND (69
Black 16, Wesbecher 19, R. Wesbecher 16, Smith 9, Long 8, Minson 4, Greer 1. Totals: FG-27; FT-15; PF-15.

ZALMA (62)

ZALMA (62)
West 20, Burchett 3, Kirkpatrick 18, Lineberry 12, Lemons 6, Stan West 3. Totals: FG-28; FT-5; PF-28.

Score by Quarters:

Woodland	14	18	20	17	-69
Zalma	16	14	14	18	-62

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NBA

Eastern Conference	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
Buffalo	18	8	.692	—
New York	17	8	.680	½
Boston	15	10	.600	2½
Philaphia	10	16	.385	8
Central Division				
Washington	19	7	.731	—
Cleve	14	10	.583	4
Atlanta	12	13	.480	6½
Houston	12	14	.462	7
New Orleans	3	23	.115	16
Western Conference				
Midwest Division				
Detroit	14	13	.519	—
K.C.-Omaha	13	14	.481	1
Chicago	11	13	.458	1½
Milwaukee	10	15	.400	3
Pacific Division				
Golden State	17	9	.654	—
Seattle	14	15	.483	4½
Phoenix	12	15	.444	5½
Portland	12	16	.429	6
L.Angeles	11	15	.423	6

Wednesday's Results

Philadelphia 103, Houston 96
New Orleans 106, Golden State 103
Detroit 103, Washington 89
Phoenix 104, Portland 100
Cleveland 97, Seattle 95

Thursday's Games

Houston vs. Buffalo at Toronto
Golden State at Atlanta
Kansas City-Omaha at Milwaukee

Friday's Games

Washington at Boston
New York at Buffalo
Milwaukee at Philadelphia
New Orleans at Chicago
Detroit vs. Kansas City-Omaha at Omaha
Seattle at Los Angeles
Cleveland at Phoenix

ABA

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Kentucky	16	7	.696	—
New York	18	9	.667	—
St. Louis	11	18	.379	8
Memphis	8	19	.296	10
Virginia	5	20	.200	12
West Division				
Denver	24	4	.857	—
San Anton	16	10	.615	7
Utah	13	14	.481	10½
Indiana	10	13	.435	11½
San Diego	9	16	.360	13½

Wednesday's Results

New York 117, St. Louis 96
Memphis 104, Kentucky 97
Utah 115, Virginia 91
Denver 117, Indiana 114

Thursday's Games

Utah at St. Louis
San Diego at San Antonio

Friday's Games

Virginia at San Diego
Kentucky at Indiana
San Antonio at Memphis
Utah at New York

Metcalf improves

ST. LOUIS (AP)—National Football League season-closing prospects brightened Tuesday for the St. Louis Cardinals via the improved condition of running back Terry Metcalf.

The Cardinals, who have lost twice with Metcalf subpar in the past two weeks, said the 185-pound back is almost completely recovered from a sprained toe and is a probable starter for the Sunday game against the New York Giants in St. Louis.

Metcalf, who carried only 13 times in losses to the Kansas City Chiefs and New Orleans Saints, is the Cardinals' leading rusher with 642 yards and top pass receiver with 45 catches.

Also listed as a probable participant against the Giants is safety Ken Reaves, who suffered a slightly sprained ankle in the loss last week to the Saints.

Fourteenth-season tackle Ernie McMillan, who is suffering from a chronic neck injury, was listed as questionable. The Cardinals said 5,900 seats remain unsold for the game.

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Full power and air conditioning.

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1974 PINTO
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1972 MAVERICK
2 door, Blue, Automatic transmission, 6-cylinder engine

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Coupe. Full power and air conditioned.

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2 Door Brown

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3 surving sextuplets gain in fight to live

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Halfway through their first week of life, the three surviving sextuplets of Catherine Lange are gaining in their struggle against oxygen starvation, hospital officials say.

The premature babies, born after their mother took a fertility drug, remained in guarded condition Wednesday at Valley Medical Center and Dr. James Harrod said the next few days will be "most crucial."

Jason Wesley, Brian Walter and Jolene Rene are fighting in respirators against hyaline membrane disease which killed William and Kelley Irene within five hours of each other Tuesday. The sixth infant, a boy, died within hours after the birth Sunday.

The nursing supervisor said the tiny survivors showed "slight improvement in respiratory functions."

Doctors said hyaline disease is common in premature births. A glassy coating prevents inhaled oxygen from penetrating into lung tissue for absorption into the bloodstream.

Mrs. Lange, 26, who lost quadruplets on Nov. 23, 1973, gave birth to the sextuplets within a 45-minute period Sunday. They were born three months premature and ranged in weight from 1 pound 15 ounces to 2½ pounds.

Policemen get bullet-proof vests

BALTIMORE (AP) — Earlier this year, policeman Frank Whitby wrote a memo suggesting that the department buy bullet-proof vests. A week after he turned in the memo he was shot to death in the line of duty.

The city now has committed itself to buying vests for its 3,600 policemen at a cost of about $70 per vest. The vests, made of lightweight metal alloys, weigh 1¼ pounds each.

Letters to Santa used by groups to aid needy

NEW YORK (AP) Some are written on torn pieces of paper with frayed edges. Some are handwritten in bright crayon colors. Many are unsigned and unstamped. But they all begin: "Dear Santa."

The appeals range from little Cathy, who asked for 40 different toys, to Shanta Arun of Allison Park, Pa., who wrote, "All I want is for everybody to be happy on Christmas Day."

Many of the children were concerned with the health of Santa, Mrs. Claus and the elves, spelled "elfs" in most of the letters.

"I've been worrying about you lately. It's so cold in the North Pole. How are your reindeer? Keeping in shape, I hope, for that big day," wrote Martin Walker of Cambria Heights, N.Y.

The New York General Post Office receives thousands of such letters addressed to the North Pole and environs. They are not tossed out or left to idle, postal officials say. They are left for individuals and organizations to take in order to help provide a happier Christmas to a needy child or family.

Postmaster John R. Strachan said the practice started more than 40 years ago as a project of clerks in the money order division. It has since mushroomed into an official project, with public support and donations, he said. There are similar projects elsewhere in the nation.

Many Santa Claus letters are not from youngsters, but from indigent parents who say they haven't the money to buy presents for their children.

A Brooklyn, N.Y., mother of six, said her children "are patiently waiting for Santa, but unless I get lucky, there'll be an empty tree."

Sal and Nicholas Santoro live in the Bronx in a house without heat or hot water. "This Christmas, we won't be getting anything. Daddy is not working and mommy is sick," said Sal, 15, and Nicholas, 5, in their letter.

"We would appreciate whatever we get from you, even if it's just a toy each.... I'm sure mommy would appreciate a new boiler or heater to keep us warm."

And John Murray, of Assonet, Mass., was kind enough to compute the cost of the nine items he wanted Santa to bring. It was $38.08.

The letters are available to the public until 3 p.m. Dec. 24, at the General Post Office.

Monarch would be state insect

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — The monarch butterfly would become the official state insect under one of the nearly 500 proposals submitted so far for consideration in the upcoming regular session of the legislture.

Introduced in the House Wednesday was a proposal permitting Missouri motorists to obtain personalized license plates for a cost of $12 over the regular license fee.

The measure would allow the director of revenue to issue plates "containing letters or combinations of letters or numbers."

It has been passed before but vetoed by the governor, who has opposed issuance of any special license tags. A test case concerning discontinuance of low-number license plates is currently pending before the Kansas City Court of Appeals.

The state highway department would be required, under one bill, to mark "all blacktopped roads in the state highway system" with a yellow centerline while another proposal would revise the size of the legislature.

While a number of measures have been introduced since Dec. 1 to change the legislative makeup, the latest would reduce the House from 163 members to 120 but raise the Senate from 34 members to 40.

Hoffman cast in production

FULTON--John S. Hoffman of Sikeston played the part of Thorin in a Dec. 6-8 production of the play, "The Hobbit", by the Westminister College-William Woods College theatrical group.

Hoffman, son of Mrs. Shirley J. Perkins of 211 Kennedy Drive, Sikeston, is a freshman at Westminister College.

"The Hobbit" is one of several plays to be presented by the theatrical group this school year.

Dr. Lamb

Intestinal ills may be linked

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D

DEAR DR. LAMB — I have been subject to spastic colitis for some time. My new ailment is diverticulosis. What is the difference between the two ailments? What are the dangers that may occur suddenly or otherwise? What steps should be taken to balance the two ailments? Who should I see and what medicine should I take? What are the chances for recovery?

DEAR READER — Most specialists in gastroenterology today believe the two conditions may be related. Diverticulosis means small pockets on the colon. These pockets are caused by a rupture of the wall of the colon, like an innertube that has a weakened wall.

The sac-like pocket is a diverticulum. It is thought that diverticula develop because of increased pressure inside the colon. The pressure is caused by poor bowel function such as spastic colon.

There may be other factors involved, such as an inherently weak spot in the colon to begin with, before the pressure problems occur. The diverticulum is something like an appendix. It can be inflamed or rupture giving the signs of appendicitis. It can have a small leak causing pain and discomfort. It can bleed, causing a sudden, serious loss of blood.

Often the diverticula may go unnoticed. The problem is quite common in people over 40. By age 50 about half of the population has diverticulosis, so you are not unique. Most of them have no symptoms.

Some people have abdominal pain and cramping that is confused with diverticulosis. These pains are often the underlying problem of spastic colon.

Treatment of both of these problems requires development of proper bowel habits. You need quite a bit of help to do it right. For information you can write to me at P. O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019 and ask for the two booklets, Spastic Colon and Diverticulosis. Send 50 cents for each booklet to cover costs.

There has been a change in thinking about diets for these problems. Bland diets used to be recommended under the impression that they would soothe the troubled bowel. it is often necessary to eat a soft or liquid diet or sometimes nothing during an acute problem, like an acute inflammation or certainly during a hemorrhage. Otherwise, when the acute problem is under control the practice today is to provide food with lots of bulk.

That spastic colon is really a cramp of the muscles in your colon. When there is not enough bulk in the colon, the normal rhythmic contraction of the colon is interfered with. The muscles must contract more to squeeze the food residue through the colon. The overcontraction leads to spasm and pain. The bowel is literally closed off.

Human itch may be caused by puppies

CHICAGO (AP) — Puppy dogs may be the source of some cases of human itch, a skin specialist says.

There have been numerous reports of outbreaks of itch, or scabies, around the world in recent years.

Maj. Ernest N. Charlesworth, a military physician at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., told the annual meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology Tuesday that he and colleagues traced 15 cases of human itch to five mongrel puppies from a litter of eight. Owners of the other three dogs could not be found.

The mite which causes itch in dogs does not propagate on human bodies, unlike another kind of mite which does live and propagate on human beings.

Charlesworth said the dermatitis which humans get from dogs — usually puppies — probably is a sensitivity, or allergic, reaction.

Because no mites are found in skin scrappings from humans who have been in contact with dog mites, the disease often is misdiagnosed, Charlesworth told newsmen.

And he added that veterinarians often neglect to inform owners of dogs with mange caused by mites that it may cause symptoms in humans.

Charlesworth also said that unless infected animals are treated and cured, they can continue to cause skin problems for humans. He said it is also possible also for humans to develop dermatitis from being in contact with a place where the animals have been, such as a couch or a carpet.

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Rising prices boost wheat crop value

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rising prices helped boost the value of the 1974 wheat crop about $1 billion over last year's harvest, although production was far less than the government had expected.

The Agriculture Department said Tuesday this year's crop value to farmers is a record of more than $7.7 billion, including an average 1974-75 season market price of $4.32 per bushel.

Last year, when the average farm price of wheat was a record then of $3.96 per bushel, the crop was worth more than $6.7 billion. Soaring prices since mid-1972 have been the main reason, along with larger production the past two years.

Revised figures show the 1974 wheat crop was slightly less than 1.8 billion bushels, up only 13 million bushels from the previous USDA estimate made two months ago. That put this year's harvest about 5 per cent above the previous record in 1973.

But that was far less than the nearly 2.2 billion bushels of wheat the department had expected last spring, based on plantings and normal yields. Poor weather in major parts of the breadbasket sliced that projected yield by about 400 million bushels, which would have been roughly enough to double the U.S. wheat stockpile by next summer if it had materialized.

In the leading wheat state of Kansas, for example, a poor growing season reduced this year's wheat harvest to 319 million bushels from a record of nearly 385 million in 1973 despite more acres planted.

Reductions in yields were reported for many other wheat states.

"Yield per acre of the 1974 crop at 27.4 bushels is the lowest average yield since 1967 and compares with 31.7 for the 1973 crop and 32.7 in 1972," the department's Crop Reporting Board said.

The 1974 wheat harvest was from 65.5 million acres, 22 per cent more than in 1973 and the most since 1953 when 67.8 million acres were harvested, official said.

Bell City choir, band to present concert

BELL CITY--The Bell City High School music department, under the direction of Joe Pappas, will present its annual Christmas concert Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

The concert will feature the choir in a numbe number of contemporary Christmas songs. The high school band will perform "Christmas Moods" and "Saint Nicholas Suite", as well as more traditional numbers.

The concert will be free to the public.

3 elected to chamber board

DEXTER--Dr. Robert Boon, L.J. Daniels and John William Ringer were elected to three-year terms on the Chamber of Commerce board of directors following a vote count at Wednesday's lucheon meeting.

The three new board members replaced Chester Medler, Louis Jones and Bob Robbins, whose terms have expired.

Harold Williams was elected to serve the balance of an unexpired term created by a resignation.

600 Persons Talk About Failed 'Market-Garden'

A BRIDGE TOO FAR. By Cornelius Ryan. Simon & Schuster. 670 Pages. $12.50.

"Shortly after 10 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 17, 1944, from airfields all over southern England the greatest armada of troop-carrying aircraft ever assembled for a single operation took to the air."

This was the beginning of Market-Garden, a combined airborne and ground attack conceived by British Field Marshal Montgomery to quickly end the war with Germany. The aim of the operation was for a huge force of paratroops to drop into Holland, seize, among other things, a vital bridge at Arnhem, then link up with a powerful army battling its way toward them on the ground, and together smash into Germany.

It didn't work.

After nine days of fierce, almost constant, fighting the Allied forces were unable to achieve their objectives and pulled back, having taken, according to Cornelius Ryan, combined losses in killed, wounded and missing of more than 17,000 — more casualties than were suffered in the invasion of Normandy. The reasons why this bold operation failed are carefully detailed

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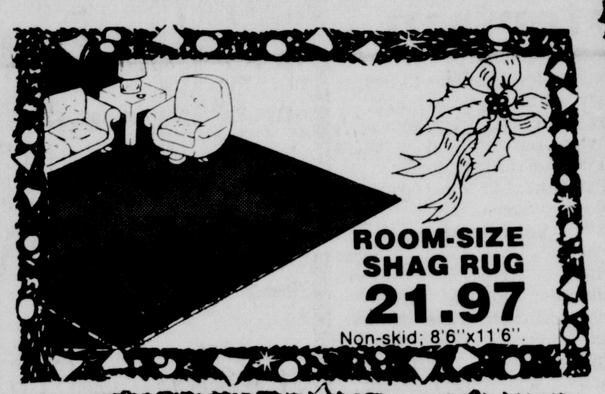

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Looking back

Postman honored with supper

50 years ago
December 12, 1924

Mr. and Mrs. C. White spent Sunday in Bertrand

Miss Helen Grojean spent the weekend in Dexter with homefolks.

Mrs. Ewell Barger and children of Wardell are here for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.G. Gresham.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Keller left last Wednesday for Charleston, where they will make their future home. Mr. Keller has been transferred by the Bell Telophone Co., to a better position.

40 years ago
December 12, 1934

R.G. Allen, former county collector, assumed his duties as acting postmaster of Benton, after receiving official notice of his appointment from Washington last week. He succeeds R.M. Tirmenstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson announce the birth here Saturday of a daughter , who has been named Gail Galora.

A son was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bingham of Chickasha, Okla., according to a telegram received here by Mrs. J.W. Schroff. Mrs. Bingham is a granddaughter of Mrs. Schroff, and was formerly of Sikeston.

A fire, which started early Saturday from sparks from the flue, burned a four-room frame house and all furnishings beyond repair. The house, located on Wakefield in the north part of town, was owned by T.A. Slack and occupied by Mrs. Helton and her children.

30 years ago
December 12, 1944

First Lt. Carol E. Davis has been killed in action a message from the War Department to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Davis, 410 West North street, stated Tuesday. Lt. Davis had previously been reported missing but a Tuesday message brought word that he was now listed as killed in Germany on October 6.

Pfc. Joe E. Moss, son of E.L. Moss of Sikeston, was reported missing in action in France November 9, a message from the War Department to his wife stated last week. Pfc. Moss has has been in service three years and overseas with an infantry regiment since May, 1944.

Hospital notes. Mrs. D.A. Merrick of Sikeston, Route 2, entered December 4 and a girl was born to her the following day.

Mrs. James Lindsey of Canalou entered December 5, and a girl was born to her on the same day.

Mrs. W.C. Reid, 233 Gladys street, entered December6, and girl was born to her on the same day.

Sgt. Charles Lough, jr., nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Martin an and son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lough of Charleston, is expected home the last of this week to spend a 30-day furlough. he has been in the South Pacific.

20 years ago
December 12, 1954

Mrs. Claude Sterett and daughter, Miss Frances McGonagill and daughter, Roberta, are moving the latter part of this week to make their home in Poplar Bluff.

San Diego, Calif.--Charles G. Hill, teleman seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hill of Route 3, Box 133, Sikeston, is scheduled to return here December 16th aboard the destroyer tender USS Piedmont completing a tour of Far Eastern duty.

Dexter-- The employes of the Dexter Post office and their families honored John Bingham, who recently retired from the service, with a covered dish supper at the legion Cabin on December 8.

Sikeston's young and inexperienced Bulldogs dropped their second in a row in the battle for third place at the Jackson tourney Saturday, but the local lads gained a wealth of court knowledge in bowing to Chaffee, 44-38.

Students chosen by teachers

Students of the month at East Prairie High School, selected by members of the faculty each month, from left, are Richard Thurmond, junior; Brent Davis, freshman; Lisa Riggs, junior; and Deb Organ, senior.

Students of month named at EPHS

EAST PRAIRIE---Deb Organ is the senior student of the month at East Prairie High School.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Organ, she has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, Future Homemakers of America for four years and serves as FHA chapter president this year.

Miss Organ has been in Youth for Community Betterment for two years, and is reporter for the organization this year. Other activities include membership in the photography club and serving as business manager of the Link, the school yearbook.

She plans to attend Southeast Missouri State University at Cape Girardeau and major in English with a journalism or business minor. She attends First Church of God.

The junior class student of the month is Richard Thurmond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Thurmond.

He has been a member of Future Farmers of America for three years and has lettered in football two years and track one year. Thurmond was selected on the all-conference second team as an end last year and this year was named to the all-academic team and the SeMo all-star football team.

He attends First Baptist Church.

Lissa Riggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Riggs, has been selected as student of the month for the sophomore class.

She has been a member of the student council, girls's glee club, double sextet, stage band, band, Future Home Makers of America, National Honor Society and presently is second vice president of the FHA chapter and secretary of her class.

She also attends First Baptist Church, where she is a member of Acteens.

The freshman student of the month is Brent Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Davis.

Davis was a member of the Pepmiller Honor Society at Webb Junior High School and is a member of student council and Youth for Community Betterment this year.

He attends First Christian Church, where he is a member of the church choir.

USE THE DAILY STANDARD CLASSIFIED ADS

Smith takes state honors in contest

EAST PRAIRIE — Eric Smith, the East Prairie High School sophomore who won district competition in this year's annual Farm Bureau public speaking contest, was awarded second place in state competition Dec. 8 at Jefferson City.

Smith received a cash prize of $50 for his speech on the topic, "Farm Bureau Gives You More".

The local Future Farmers of America chapter receives $15 of the prize money.

Seven other district winners competed with Smith in the state contest.

He is the son of James Smith and the late Doris Reeves Smith.

He was accompanied to Jefferson City by Roy Cloud, agriculture instructor of the East Prairie FFA chapter.

Many persons believe that a dog will have convulsions if it sees itself in a mirror.

Prayer

"Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me."

PRAYER: O God, help us by the power of Your Holy Spirit to be faithful and effective witnesses for You, proclaiming by what we say and do that we are Your children. In Christ's name. Amen.

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Speech classes to entertain

EAST PRAIRIE — Students in the elementary schools will be entertained next week two Christmas plays presented by Speech I classes of the high school.

"The Little Angel Who Was Always Late" will be presented by the second hour class, and "The Mouse Who Didn't Believe in Santa" will be performed by the fourth hour speech class.

Characters in the first play are: Annie, portrayed by Claudetta Hawkins; First Angel, Jeanne Andrews; Second Angel, Ellen Lingle; Third Angel, Pam Shehorn; Fourth Angel, Donald Robinson; Fifth Angel, Earl Bryant; Choir of Angels, includes the angels above plus Donna Carden and Roy Dixon; Timekeeper, Keith Tucker; Timekeeper's Assistant, Kenneth Brack; Uncle Gabriel, Jeff Emory; Joseph, Kenneth Brack; Mary, Linda Aydelott; lighting, Ivan Bramlett; stage manager, Clayton Burney; and assistant manager, Freddy Ditto.

Performing in the second play will be: Squeakmibble, Marla Dick; Sniffwhiskers, Keith Haddock; Velvetpaws -- Ellen Griner; Rripalony, Kevin Gulledge; Momma Mouse -- Kevin Pritchett; Pete the Cat, Brent Davis; Mr. Clock, Winfred Oliphant; Santa Clause, Kelly Munson; and stage manager -- George Bays.

The Trial of Billy Jack
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What's the law?

The case of the cowed cows

By JACK STRAUSS, LL.B.

Farmer Jones and Farmer Smith were neighbors who never got along because they argued from different premises. The pay-off came, however, when one of Farmer Jones's philandering bulls, of unsocial register origin, infiltrated Farmer Smith's pasture and had a dalliance with several of Farmer Smith's pure and untouched registered heifers.

The experience, insisted Farmer Smith, so upset his heifers that they were unwilling, thereafter, to fraternize with any other bulls. consequently, he sued Farmer Jones for damages.

"By permitting his bum of a bull to go wolfing among my young and naive heifers," he complained in court, "Farmer Jones ruined them for purposes of breeding."

"Nonsense," retorted Farmer Jones. "There's no proof that his heifers suffered from the experience. They could have been bull-naters to start off with. If they had a psychological problem, I can't be blamed for that."

IF YOU WERE THE JUDGE , would you make Farmer Jones pay because his bull cowed Farmer Smith's heifers?

This is how the jduge rules: NO! The judge held that the reason for the apparent loss of the capacity of FarmersFarmer Smith's heifers to breed was purely speculative and damages cannot be paid on speculation. In order to collect, noted the judge, Farmer Smith had to prove that his heifers shunned other bulls specifically as the result of the intrusion of Farmer Jones's bounder of a bull which he failed to prove. (Based upon a 1964 Wisconsin Supreme Court Decision)

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SIDE GLANCES by Gill Fox

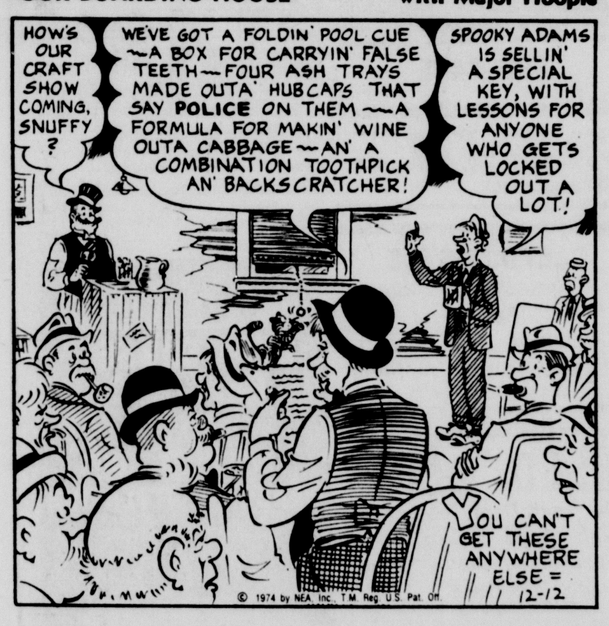
"Perhaps Monsieur would prefer the large, three-bite steak!"

CARNIVAL by Dick Turner

"No, I don't want it repaired like new! I want it fixed like it should have been in the first place!"

OUT OUR WAY by Neg Cochran

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople



STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars.

To develop message for Friday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

1 Relax	31 For	61 That
2 You	32 Introduction	62 Through
3 Skip	33 Chores	63 Attractive
4 You'll	34 Then	64 Efforts
5 Maintain	35 The	65 To
6 Meetings	36 Might	66 Improve
7 Obtain	37 Good	67 Into
8 Give	38 Be	68 Wardrobe
9 Excellent	39 People	69 Help
10 Money	40 Organized	70 Feelings
11 Get	41 Health	71 Way
12 Rest	42 Promoting	72 Despite
13 Could	43 To	73 Personality
14 Situations	44 Out	74 Income
15 Welcome	45 Get	75 Potential
16 Your	46 Powers	76 Are
17 With	47 Cause	77 Favored
18 An	48 News	78 Finances
19 Thought	49 Avoided	79 Concerning
20 Day	50 Could	80 The
21 Differences	51 Judgment	81 Money
22 Distasteful	52 Are	82 Be
23 Today	53 Harmony	83 Fair
24 Antagonize	54 An	84 Other's
25 Which	55 Of	85 Opposition
26 Unexpected	56 Probably	86 World
27 Calm	57 Personal	87 Money
28 Important	58 And	88 Advancement
29 Can	59 Hard	89 Compromise
30 To	60 The	90 Today

5 F — Good — Adverse — 12/13 Neutral

ARIES MAR. 21 – APR. 19 — 64-65-66-74 / 75-76-77

TAURUS APR. 20 – MAY 20 — 11-22-33-44 / 55-60-71

GEMINI MAY 21 – JUNE 20 — 7-18-32-43 / 54-63-73

CANCER JUNE 21 – JULY 22 — 3-14-25-36 / 47-59-70

LEO JULY 23 – AUG. 22 — 4-15-26-37 / 48-56-79-87

VIRGO AUG. 23 – SEPT. 22 — 10-21-29-38 / 49-62-83-89

LIBRA SEPT. 23 – OCT. 22 — 5-16-27-40 / 51-72-84-85

SCORPIO OCT. 23 – NOV. 21 — 9-20-31-42 / 53-58-81-88

SAGITTARIUS NOV. 22 – DEC. 21 — 8-19-30-41 / 52-57-68

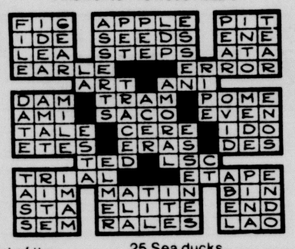
CAPRICORN DEC. 22 – JAN. 19 — 1-12-23-34 / 45-67-80-86

AQUARIUS JAN. 20 – FEB. 18 — 2-13-24-35 / 46-61-82-90

PISCES FEB. 19 – MAR. 20 — 6-17-28-39 / 50-69-78

In the Sky

Answer to Previous Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Seen in the night sky
5 Source of earth's light
8 Earth's satellite
12 French river
13 Peer Gynt's mother
14 Preposition
15 Scottish miss
16 Beverage
17 Natural channels
18 There — nine major planets
19 Earth (Latin)
21 Exclamation
22 Cattle farm
24 Wise ones
26 Condescend
28 Hubbubs
29 Rent (Fr.)
30 Masculine nickname
31 Lifetime
32 Native metal
33 Narrow strips of wood
35 Cosmos
38 Old World carnivore
39 Small islands
41 Sue — Langdon
42 Remain erect
46 Enzyme (biochem.)
47 Burrower
49 Poem
50 Portend
51 Carbamide
52 Scottish sheepfold
53 Armed conflicts
54 Try out
55 Finale
56 Italian city

DOWN

1 Our earth is part of the — system
2 Diadems
3 Agree
4 Legal point
5 Glut
6 Employer
7 Close to
8 Drinking vessel
9 Wild ass
10 Musteline mammals
11 Proboscises
19 Mental conceptions
20 Small planet
23 Filter
25 Sea ducks
27 Pastries
28 Pack, as cargo
33 Girl's name
34 Anoints (archaic)
36 Peruvian animals
37 Sahara, for instance
38 Whole scale (music)
40 Meaning
43 Ripped
44 Arabian gulf
45 Require
48 Take food
50 Be indebted

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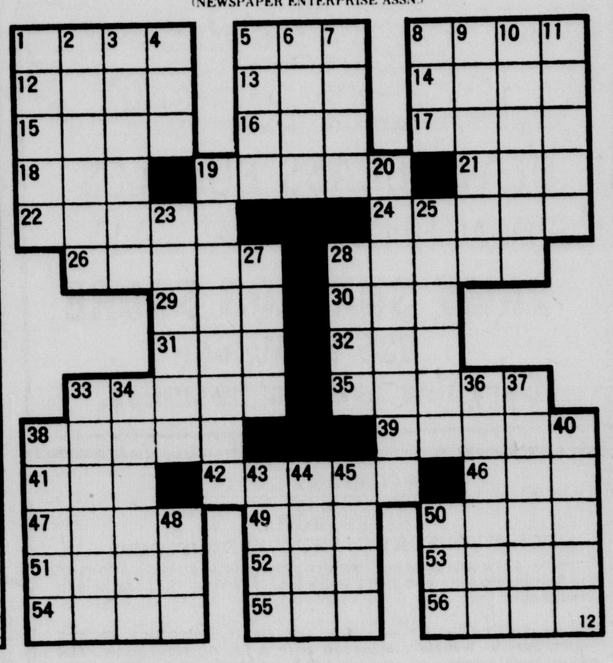


THE RYATTS by Jack Elrod

Today in U. S. History

Today is Thursday, Dec. 12, the 346th day of 1974. There are 19 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1642, the Dutch navigator, Abbel Tasman, discovered New Zealand.

On this date —

In 1792, in Vienna, Ludwig van Beethoven paid 19 cents for his first music lesson — from Franz Joseph Haydn.

In 1894, Japanese troops invaded Korea.

In 1937, an international incident was touched off when the Japanese sank the American gunboat, "Panay," in the Yangtze River in China.

In 1964, Kenya became an independent republic within the British Commonwealth.

Ten years ago: The Soviets announced that a commission would meet in Moscow in March to plan a World Communist Conference. The move was seen as a deliberate challenge to Communist China.

Five years ago: Greece, under fire on charges of violating human rights, withdrew from the Council of Europe before the country could be expelled.

One year ago: The British Government extended a state of emergency after a rail slowdown added to the country's problems.

Today's birthday: Frank Sinatra is 59 years old.

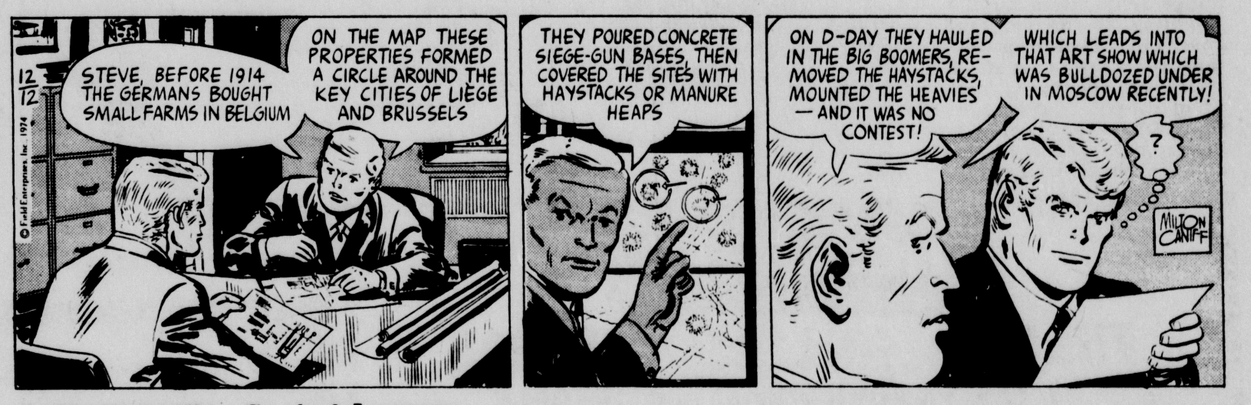
Thought for today: Moderation is a fatal thing; nothing succeeds like excess -- Oscar Wilde, Irish writer, 1854-1900.

There are additional payments of $750 for each dependent child, up to a limit of $2,250.

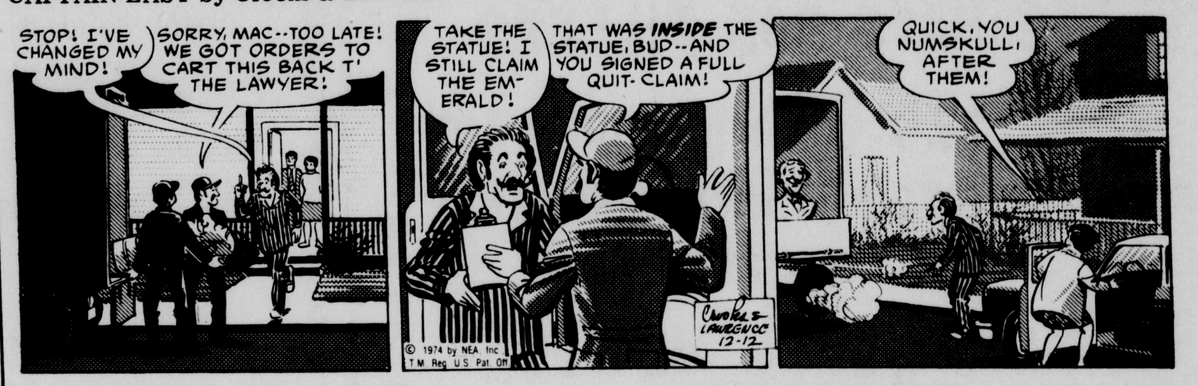
Payments are reduced in cases of partial dependency. Lump sum payments have been paid to the dependents of accident victims since April last year.

They'll Do It Every Time

STEVE CANYON By Milton Caniff

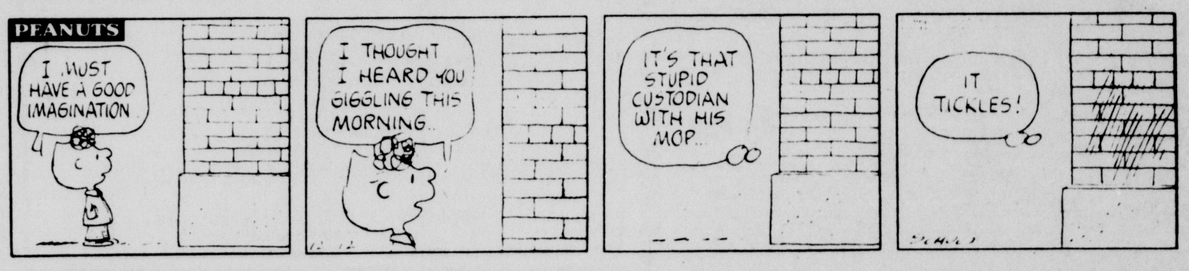


CAPTAIN EASY by Crooks & Lawrence



MARY WORTH by Saunders and Ernst

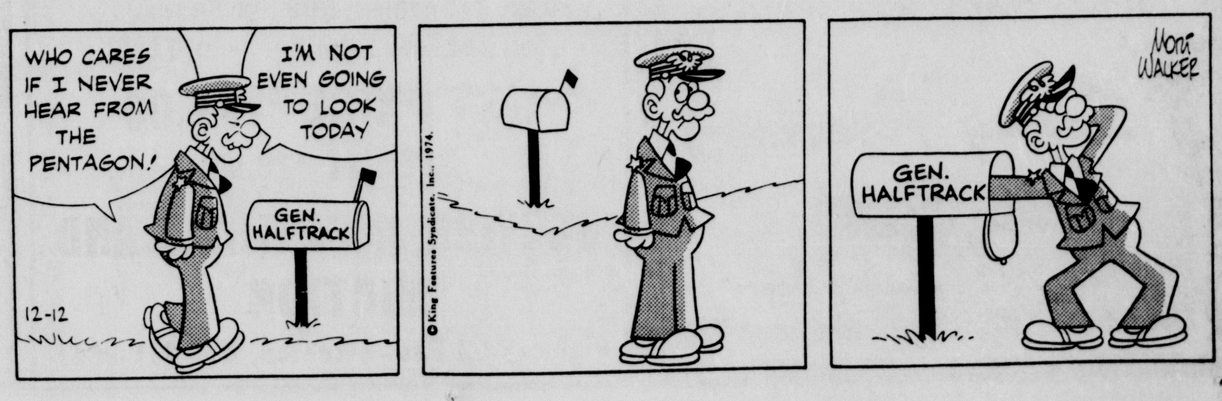
PEANUTS by Schulz

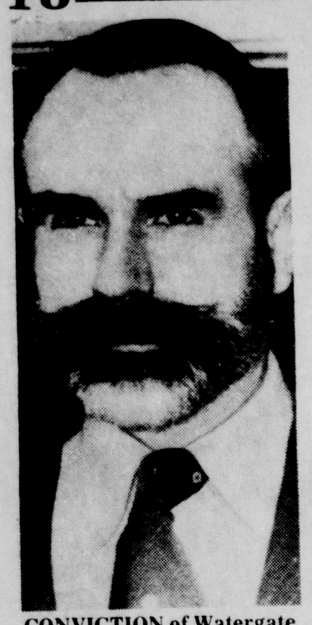


ALLEY OOP by Grave

THE PHANTOM by Falk & Barry

BEETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker

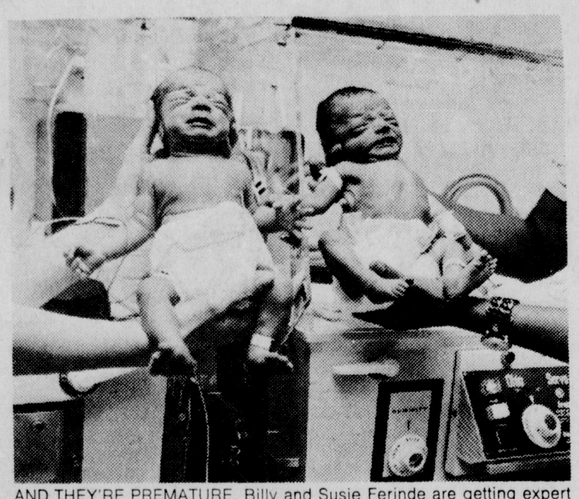




CONVICTION of Watergate burglar G. Gordon Liddy was upheld by a federal appeals court that praised Judge John Sirica for his handling of the original case. Liddy had been sentenced to a minimum of six years imprisonment and fined $40,000 but is currently free on bond pending formal notification of the appeals court's decision.

The First Christmas Toys

a fantasy by P. Pastoret and D. Baur



AND THEY'RE PREMATURE. Billy and Susie Ferinde are getting expert help, though, at The Children's Hospital in Newark, N.J., where a grant from the March of Dimes pays for equipment and trained personnel in the neonatal intensive care unit.

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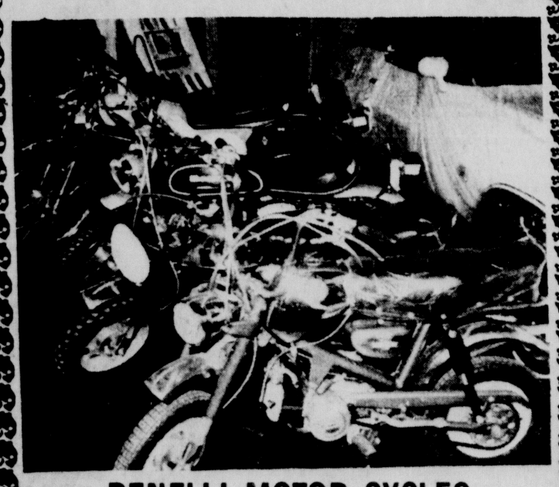

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Ads to be taken out of next days publication must be called in by 4 p.m. the day before. Copy must be submitted by 4 p.m. the day before publication. Monday through Thursday. 11 a.m. Friday deadline.

ERRORS
We must be notified the first day of publication of errors, after that you will be charged.

Ads will be taken from 9 to 12 on Saturday.

5. Personals

Reduce safe, fast with GoBese Tablets & E-Vap "water pills!" Osco Drug.

Reduce cholesterol! Fight fat! GoBese Lecithin Capsules now available Osco Drug.

7. Apartments - Furn.

Furnished apartment, no children or pets, $125. monthly. See at 500 Matthews after 5 P.M. side door.
TF

Furnished apartment for rent with utilities paid. 472-0854 or 471-5470

Furnished apartments, utilities paid. Adults. 471-9942.
TF

Three room efficiency apartment, adults only. $90.00 a month plus security deposit. 471-3444.
TF

Apartment for rent in north end. 471-2715.
TF

Two bedroom, adults, no pets, deposit. 471-0588.
TF

For rent
Furnished one bedroom apartments, adults. 471-1804 after 4.
TF

One bedroom brick duplex. A. C., carpeted, E. H. partial utilities paid. Phone 471-8622.
TF

Two room furnished apartment. Adults. 471-2377 or 472-0660.
12-14-74

8. Apartments - Unfurn.

Apartment over garage, 711 E. Gladys. 471-5829 after 5.
12-14-74

Two bedroom townhouse $150. Call 471-5400, 471-0324.
TF

Duplex for rent. Three bedroom, fully carpeted. $185. Call 471-1547 or 471-8485.
TF

Large two bedroom luxury apartment, prime residential location. 471-0552.
TF

9. House For Rent

Three bedroom house in Blodgett unfurnished. $125. a month. 471-8824.
TF

House for rent, 848 Linn. Two bedroom, central heat, $110 monthly. 471-9698 or 471-8642.
12-14-74

Two bedroom house, $80 a month. 471-3274.
12-14-74

11A. Mobile Homes For Rent

Two bedroom mobile home. 471-0830.
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Mobile home for rent. Call 471-3450
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12A Musical Instru.

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12. Misc. For Sale

Sweda twin head ice cream machine. Malta head malt maker, cash register, 10 foot meat box. 1,000 BTU Ziegler gas heater with thermostat, and other kitchen equipment. Call 618-748-9898.
12-19-74

For sale
1970, 28 ft. motor home, new motor $4200. 1970 Chevrolet walk in van $1200. Like new 12" radial arm saw. $250. See at 168 Lee Street.
11-19-74

For sale 580 CK Case Back Hoe and 1964 5 yd. Chevy dump truck. Both for $6,600. Call 688-2684.
12-17-74

Color television set 19 inch with stand. Like new. Can be bought for only one half of original price. Phone 471-1930 or 471-4021.
12-14-74

2 Sansui SP 3500, 6 speaker 4 way system 14" woofer, walnut cabinet. 100W input. $375. Call 471-1646 after 5.

Material for sale, Alfred Werber Inc. 711 Ralley, New Madrid, Mo. Sold each week Tuesday 3:30 to 4:30.
TF

Good used furniture and appliances. Some antiques, many other miscellaneous items. Hays Saw and Mower, 115 S. Handy, Sikeston, Mo.
12-20-74

For sale - Fireplace wood and Collie pup. 243-8309.
12-12-74

For sale - Four 15 inch mag wheels and radial tires. Fits GM cars. $100. Philco frost free refrigerator, $40. Call 471-8467 or 471-9998.
TF

Ben Franklin wood burning stove for sale. East Prairie Lumber Co., East Prairie, Mo.
12-9-74

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Forklifts for sale or rent. 471-5812, Mike Eakins.

For sale Hand made leather goods. Place your orders now in time for Christmas. Call Luther Murphy 471-3214.

Frigidaire gas clothes dryer, Frigidaire portable dishwasher. Priced to sell. Call 683-4100.
12-10-74

20 ft. Al Jo camper, very clean. $1,050. Call 471-0830.

For Sale
Two space heaters, call 471-7390.
TF

Camera for sale- Yashica 124G camera. Good for pro or amateur use. Only six months old in perfect condition. Also for sale- Vivitar 352 electronic flash, three months old. Call Tim Ludwig, 471-7669.
TF

Two G.E. two-way mobile radios. 100 watt, low band, good shape. $750. Call 649-3430.
TF

21 inch R.C.A. cabinet color T.V. 471-9083.
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GARAGE SALE
FRIDAY
808 RUTH

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Complete line of supplies
Mon. thru Sat.
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
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Morehouse, Mo. 667-5349

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10 A.M. to 5:30
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Gold 1972½ Honda 50, like new. $200. Yellow 1970 Kawasaki 350, $300. 471-3870, 471-1195

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Thursday and Friday
400 Southwest
Christmas flower arrangements, clothing and other nice items

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Our used Dept. is stocked with Good, clean used Furniture, that's been traded in on New.

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CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
19 piece stainless steel waterless cookware. Life time guarantee. Call 471-4213 after 6 P.M.

Four family lots in the new section of Sikeston Memorial Cemetery $600. Write P.O. Box 84, Carterville, Illinois 62918.
12-18-74

Pool tables for Christmas. 1 inch slate top, (commercial) Formica rail tops. Choose different color of cloth. Avocada, red, gold, black and blue. For information call 501-857-3467 day, 857-3936 night, Downtown Corning on Second Street. Brown Pool Table Manufacturing, Corning, Ark.
12-16-74

1972 Honda motorcycle 350, low mileage $400. 1965 Chevrolet truck, good motor $200. Call 471-9617.
12-12-74

FOR SALE-- Air conditioner in perfect condition, only used four months. Will sell at a low price. Will cool as large as a six room house. For more information call 471-1144 from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. or at night call 471-1697.

7½ foot inflammable pine Christmas tree, ½ cost, $25.00. Like new. 471-7616.
12-13-74

New 10 X 10 utility building with materials for floor and foundation, unassembled. $185.00 Call 688-2263, Lilbourn.
12-13-74

1972 Honda 350 Scrambler, two helmets and new rear tire. Take over payments. 471-0673.
12-13-74

10 per cent off Fischer Price Maytell and Playschool Toys by Playhouse Toy Company. Wedn. thru Sat. 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. 257 William.
12-13-74

GENTLEMEN: Ideal Christmas gift for the lady in your life. Pastel mink stole, excellent condition. 379-5725 after 5 P.M.
12-14-74

For sale Two portable black and white T.V.'s Westinghouse and Zenith. 748-2209.
12-13-74

For sale Table and six chairs. 471-4483.
12-13-74

Collection of 80 kerosene and Aladdin lamps. One short base red Lincoln drape. 649-5311.
12-13-74

R.C.A. record player, automatic with speakers. 471-0207.
12-13-74

Ladies and mens coats, also potted plants and terraniums fixed for Christmas. Call 471-1692.
12-17-74

Garage Sale
Rain or Shine. Boys and Womens clothing. Pony saddle, odds and ends. New large stuffed toys 10 A.M. Friday & Saturday 320 Phillips, Lilbourn.

One bedroom 8 X 35 travel trailer, like new. Must sell. 688-2886.
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For sale Entire stock of Mary Kay Cosmetics. Call 471-5099.
12-17-74

13. Real Estate

DYER-BUSSEY REALTORS, INC.
YOU'LL LIKE OUR PERSONAL ATTENTION
323 So. Kingshighway
471-3444

For sale Three bedroom brick in Bertrand. 683-6224.
12-16-74

57 acres fenced with 40 acres of wheat, $450. per acre. 3½ miles north of Blodgett. 471-9068.
12-14-74

For all your building, remodeling, painting, drywall, wall papering and seamless floors. Call Bill Baker 471-0955.
12-20-74

For sale by owner or rent. Three bedroom, 2 baths living room, dining room, kitchen. ¾ basement, assume 8 per cent loan, pay owner equity. 471-5193 after 5, 471-2965 days.
12-12-74

For sale Beautiful two bedroom waterfront cottage on Kentucky Lake, 15 minute drive from Murray. Also several new and used homes in Murray, Ky. area. Ideal retirement homes. Contact Bill Page, 1508 Canterbury Drive, Murray, Ky. 42071. Phone 502-753-3672.
12-14-74

SKATES FOR SALE
BOYS GIRLS
MENS & WOMENS
ON SALE NOW IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS
AT
Skate World
E. Malone Sikeston, Mo.
Give gift certificate up to $50

For sale Three bedroom brick in Bertrand, assume loan. 683-6224.
12-10-74

For sale — Hunter Acres West on Salcedo Road lot 7, Block 1. 130' x 215'. 472-0725, 471-7626.
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1 to 5 ACRE MINI FARM TRACTS. Buy now build later. 70 homes built! Have horse- pony- mini bike- garden. Best price anywhere. Dacus Real Estate 471-2162. (Nights 471- 9295).
12- 9- 74

New home in Miner, 3 bedroom. Financing available. Call 471-7685 or 471-9901.
12-10-74

16. Wanted To Buy

Wanted Pennies prior to 1959. Call 472-0608.
12-13-74

18. Help Wanted

AN OHIO OIL CO. offers PLENTY OF MONEY plus cash bonuses, fringe benefits to mature individual in SIKESTON area. Regardless of experience, airmail D. J. Read, Pres., American Lubricants Co., Box 696, Dayton, Ohio 45401

Wanted: Open now morning cook, experience necessary. Hours 6:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. Also, full time dishwasher and stock room. Hours vary. Apply dieticians office, Mo. Delta Community Hospital.
12-13-74

Help Wanted at Once Electrolux, worlds largest selling cleaner needs representative in Sikeston area. No experience or investment needed. Personal interview:
Mr. Romeo
Ramada Inn
Dec. 12
7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

GOOD MAN to fill vacancy in SIKESTON area. No experience necessary. Age not important. Good character a must. We train. Air Mail F. W. Dick, Pres., Southwestern Petroleum Corp., Ft. Worth, Tx.

Help wanted Waitress and car hop. Apply at Bulldog Drive Inn.
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Cooks and waitresses. Apply in person. Crosses Truck Stop, New Madrid

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WANT TO PUT A BIG PRESENT UNDER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE? Earn extra money as an Avon Representative. Sell quality Avon products while the kiddies are in school. I'll show you how! Write Ann Brown, P.O. Box 686, Sikeston, Mo.

19 — CHILD CARE

Will do babysitting night or day. 471-9712.
12-13-74

20. Lost & Found

Lost Irish Setter in Matthews area. Answers to Dutchess, Has large brown collar. Call 471-1375 after 5 p.m. Reward.
TF

Black and tan 5 month old German Shepard pup answers to the name of Duke disappeared Dec. 10 in the vicinity of 310 Moore Street, Reward offered. 471-6778 or 471-1171 after 4 P.M.
12-14-74

USE THE DAILY STANDARD CLASSIFIED ADS

21. Business Opportun.

Distributorships are now available for Shaklee Products. Unbelievable opportunity for women, men or couples. For interview call 471-2027.
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24. Special Services

Remodeling, roofing, masonry work. Terry Construction. 471-1477.

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12-26-74

Roofing-Patching & Guttering, Painting & Repairs. 667-5005 or 667-5055.
12-14-74

PHOTO BADGES, made with photo of your choice, 24 hour service. Send photo and $1.50 for each badge. L. G. Browning, P. O. Box 774, Sikeston.
12-17-74

Blue Cross through Scott County Farm Bureau. For information call 545-3520

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471-6194 545-3877

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Bryant's Garage 117 Handy Street is now equipped for automatic transmission overhauls for all makes with 12 years experience. 471-3350.
12-23-74

Boat storeage, $20 a month. Call 472-0014 after 6 p.m.
12-14-74

Chief Ackmans Electric Service, 839 Greer. 471-1276.
12-31-74

26. Pets

A.K.C. Chows, 6 months old, also St Bernard pups for Christmas. Call 866 2795, Sedgewickville.
12-13-74

Nine house puppies for sale cheap. Second block first house on left. Madison Street, Morehouse, Mo. Leonard Strode.
12-14-74

Registered toy Pekingese, Peke-a-poo and poodle puppies. Ralph Henson, Illmo, Mo. 264-4678.

Hilltop Kennel Christmas Special. Irish Setters, Elk Hounds, Terriers, Peek-A-Poos. 264-2526, 264-3908.
12-18-74

Free four puppies, part Spitz. 471-6013 after 5.
12-18-74

A.K.C. dachshund puppies and adults. 243-4817.
12-18-74

28. New & Used Cars

1971 Ford good condition. Heat, air conditioning, radio, good tires. Call 472-0849.
12-13-74

69 Cutlass Convertible 350, 4 barrell, P.S. Four speed, new top, good mechanical condition. 471-5132, 203 W. Wakefield.
12-13-74

1970 1/2 ton Chevy pickup, 350 engine. Power steering, power brakes, deluxe enterior. 262-3833.
12-12-74

For Sale
1974 Vega, new tires, good condition, $2,000. 675-3312.
TF

For sale or trade for pickup 1967 Chevrolet one and one-half ton Stake truck 471-5747.
12-14-74

1972 Ranchero, fully equipped, low mileage. Good condition. Sharp. 471-9231.
12-14-74

1972 Chevrolet Custom Deluxe pickup with shell walk in camper. 379-3916.
12-14-74

1968 Cadillac four door, good condition. $850. Can be seen at Tidwells Gulf or call 471-4730.
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1972 Chevrolet pickup 6 cylinder, long wide bed like new. 404 Hunter.
12-14-74

For sale 1974 Dodge power wagon, ¾ ton. P.S., P.B. and air. AM-FM, four wheel drive, club cab. L.W.B. Call 471-7493.
12-14-74

FARM SALE

WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1974

SALE WILL START AT 10 A.M.

RAIN OR SHINE

CARS, TRUCKS, ETC.

1—1974 FORD TORINO, NEW CAR, ONLY 2,000 MILES

1—1974 200 CLUB CAB DODGE 4 WHEEL DRIVE PICKUP TRUCK

1—1974 100 CLUB CAB DODGE 4 WHEEL DRIVE PICKUP TRUCK

1—MACK TRACTOR TRUCK, TWIN SCREW, TANDEM WHEEL & 36 FT. GRAIN TRAILER & TARP, ALL NEW

1—FORD 2 TON CHASSIS TRUCK EQUIPPED WITH LARGE TRACTOR TIRES

1—FUEL TANK AND 150 GAL. PUMP FOR PICKUP TRUCK

TRAILERS, GRAIN BINS, & GRAIN EQUIPMENT

1—6 WHEEL IMPLEMENT TRAILER

1—4 WHEEL HEAVY DUTY TRAILER WITH HIGH FLOTATION TIRES, 1,000 GAL WATER TANK, MOTOR, AND PUMP

1—32 FT. TANDEM JOHN DEERE COTTON TRAILER

1—KEWANEE STEEL BED, 4 WHEEL COTTON TRAILER

3—4 WHEEL COTTON TRAILERS WITH WOODEN BEDS

1—M & W LITTLE RED WAGON TRAILER AND BED, SAME AS NEW

3—3,000 B. GRAIN BINS

1—32 FT. GRAIN AUGER

1—M & W HYDRAULIC GRAIN AUGER

TRACTORS

1—IHC 1206 DIESEL TRACTOR LOADED WITH ALL THE EXTRAS

1—1066 IHC TRACTOR, WITH WEIGHTS AND UMBRELLA, LOADED

1—806 IHC TRACTOR, LOADED

1—CASE CRAWLER TRACTOR AND FRONT BLADE

1—310 CASE QUICK HITCH BACK HOE

1—42 FT. EVERSMAN LAND PLANE

2—REYNOLDS DIRT SCOOPS WITH TRAIN HOOKUP

1—FORD 100 TRACTOR YARD MOWER, SAME AS NEW

CULTIVATORS, ETC.

1—6 ROW LILLISTON ROLLING CULTIVATOR, 1 YEAR OLD

1—RM IHC NO. 153 SPRING SHANK CULTIVATOR 6 ROW

1—6 ROW REAR MOUNT CASE CULTIVATOR

1—6 ROW FORREST CITY FOLDUP DO-ALL, GOOD, LIKE NEW

1—6 ROW FORREST CITY DO-ALL, RIGID FRAME

2—6 ROW 686 JOHN DEERE BELLY MOUNT PLANTERS

2—SETS OF 6 ROW ROLLING FENDERS FOR CULTIVATOR

1—6 ROW CROPMAKER WITH SPRAY BOOMS

1—6 ROW PIPER, WIDE BAR, HIPPING RIDGER

1—6 BOTTOM F145H JOHN DEERE PLOW

1—4 ROW 3 PT. ROTARY HOE

3—IHC 480 DISKS, DUAL WHEELS, LIKE NEW

OTHER EQUIPMENT

1—1964 414 TWO ROW IHC COTTON PICKER WITH CAB, GOOD

1—1,000 GAL. DIESEL TANK & PUMP

1—PORTABLE WELDER AND POWER UNIT WITH 2 WHEEL TRAILER

1—AMCO POWER TAKEOFF DITCHER

1—SET OF AMCO HYDRAULIC MARKERS

1—FIBRE GLASS CHEMICAL TANK

1—A FRAME AND CHAIN HOIST

1—LOT OF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, SWEEPS, FENCE POSTS, PARTS, ETC (GREASE, OIL, AND SUPPLIES)

2—18.4 X 34 TIRES, NEW

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Extra clean 1971 Thunderbird. Must see to appreciate. Priced reasonably. Phone 471-7410 after 6 P.M.

For sale or trade: 74 GMC pickup and 74 Klassic 27 ft. Fifth wheel camper with forced air heat and air conditioning. Phone 624-3083 after 4:30 P.M.
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34. Mobile Homes

12 x 65, 3 bedroom. Take over payments, located between Charleston and East Prairie. Set up and ready to move into. Galemore Mobile Homes, Charleston, Mo.
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MOBILE HOME UNDERPINNING — Fiberglass or metal backed by three inch styrofoam installed. Phone 471-5636 McDOUGAL MOBILE HOMES, DOWNTOWN, SIKESTON

Three used mobile homes in stock — Two and three bedroom — See McDougal Mobile Homes, Downtown Sikeston, Phone 471-5636.
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Year end specials on all 1974 models and used homes in stock. See McDougal Mobile Homes, Downtown, Sikeston. See McDougal for Mobile Home repair and service work and parts.

NEW LISTING — 117 TERRACE DR.
Nice size living room, kitchen with dining area, three bedrooms, 1 good size bath, central heat and air single carport.

NEW LISTING
1972 Lakehurst Trailer 12' X 60', 2 bedroom 1 bath. Payments $85.00, can assume loan with $400. down.

1517 E. GLADYS
2 bedroom, 1 bath, living room, kitchen, big back porch, fully furnished including stove, icebox, washer-dryer $9300.00

NEW LISTING — 939 LAKE
Living room with fireplace, sunken family room, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, fully carpeted, one large room upstairs, full basement.

THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF LONG TERM HOME LOANS IN RIDGE VIEW ACRES

117 LINDA
Lovely new home with entrance hall, living room, dining room, family room, 2 wood burning fireplaces, large kitchen, three bedrooms, 2 baths, large utility room and double car garage.

634 E. GLADYS
Older home, beautifully remodeled and decorated, beautiful built-ins, living room, formal dining room, 3 bedrooms, vanity in master bedroom, large walk-in closets, unattached garage with storage, fenced in back yard. Ready for occupancy

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NEW LISTING — 822 N. RANNEY
Living room, dining room, 4 bedrooms 2½ baths, 1 bedroom and bath upstairs, large kitchen with lots of cabinets, full basement partially finished, large workshop behind two car carport.

114 LINDA
Lovely 3 bedroom home, with 2 full baths, master bedroom with sliding glass doors to patio, living room, sunken family room with w-burning fireplace, kitchen with built-ins, disposal & dishwasher, drapes with house, large utility room, 2 car carport.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION — E+S DEMENT ROAD, RIDGE VIEW ACRES
3 bedroom brick home, 2 full baths, living room, formal dining room, family room - kitchen combination kitchen has built-ins, disposal & dishwasher, your choice of carpeting, 1500 sq. ft. living space, lot 130' X 145', single carport, under $30,000.

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We need listings — we have proven we can get results.

Thinking of selling your home? We'd appreciate getting to talk to you about it.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION — NE CORNER MONA DRIVE & DEMENT ROAD, RIDGE VIEW ACRES
3 bedroom brick with 2 full baths, living room, kitchen, dining room combination, large family room with sliding glass door, lots of storage & closet space, over 1600 sq. ft. living space, 1 car garage.

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1005 NORTHWEST ST.
Beautiful white brick 4 bedroom home, 2½ baths, large living room, formal dining room, large kitchen with lots of cabinets, builtins, breakfast room, lots of large closets.

119 THOMAS
Lovely 3 bedroom home with 2½ baths, den with wood burning fireplace, living room, formal dining room, kitchen with lots of cabinets and storage large utility with large linen closet, carpeted throughout, central H-C, 2 car garage.

THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF LONG TERM HOME LOANS IN RIDGE VIEW ACRES

1½ Mi. S. of Morehouse in Delmo Housing Project
2 homes, each having a 75'X264' lot, first house has living room, 2 bedrooms, bath, kitchen, utility room and front porch. Second house has living room, 3 bedrooms, bath, kitchen, utility room, front porch and 1 car carport, both houses have outsheds. $13,700.

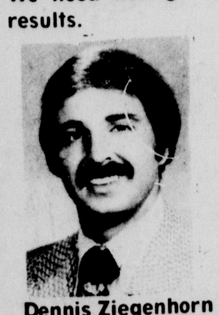
COMMERCIAL
FOR LEASE — On Hwy 60 & 62, 4 lane between Holiday Inn & I-55 property to lease for commercial warehouse & commercial buildings on both sides of 4 lane.

COMMERCIAL RENTALS

FOR RENT
Commercial Buildings for Rent downtown on Railroad Siding, 5 buildings total of 15,000 sq. ft. Can be broken into any size. Have rented 3 but still have 2 left.

FOR RENT — Office Building, 213 E. Malone, 1100 sq. ft. 2 private offices, bath and storage room at back. $115 per month. Fully carpeted.

FOR RENT — 211 East Malone - 1100 Square feet. Large Show Room with walk-in concrete vault. Would be able to make building 211 E. Malone and 213 E. Malone one if needed.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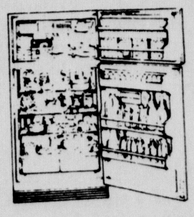
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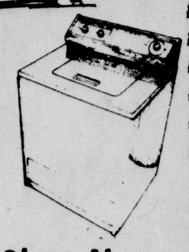

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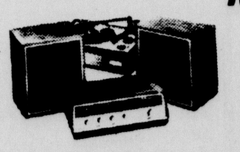

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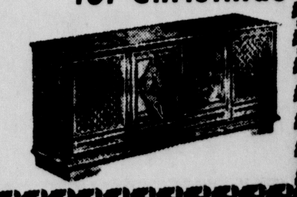

SANTA'S PROBLEM PUP

CHAPTER 4
By Bob Boyle

When they got to the kenne.., hundreds of little puppies came running toward him.

"See, Peako, you'll have lots of company here," Miss Kay Nihn said.

But evidently Peako didn't want the company of hundreds of other puppies.

He held his head high, pranced off and ignored all of them.

"Well you'll just have to get used to them," Miss Nihn said. Peako went off to a corner by himself and sat down.

"Well, when I bring your dinner you'll be friendly," Miss Kay Nihn called to Peako as she left.

After she had gone the other little puppies gathered around Peako.

He sniffed at them and started to lick a few.

But as soon as Miss Kay Nihn returned he put up his head and again ignored the puppies.

"So, you're still being difficult, Peako," she said. "Well here is your supper."

The little pups all lined up at their bowls as Miss Kay Nihn put dogfood in each one.

Under her arm she carried a new dish.

"This is for you, Peako," she said. Your very own dish.

She put it down and placed a heaping spoonful of dogfood in the bowl.

Peako sniffed at it, turned his head and walked away.

"Peako, Peako," she said. "You better eat or the other pups will finish it for you."

But Peako went to the corner and refused to budge.

"Okay, you'll go to bed hungry," Miss Kay Nihn said. "I can't give you special treatment."

With that, she went out into the howling North Pole wind.

As soon as Peako realized that she was gone he went to the door.

One of the puppies came up to him and shook its head as if to say, "It's dogproof, Peako, you can't open it."

Peako didn't give up.

He opened his mouth and grabbed the doorknob and twisted. But still the door wouldn't open.

He sat down and scratched behind his left ear with his left front paw.

He got up and again took the door latch in his mouth.

With one bounding leap he made a complete somersault.

And with one bounding leap he made a complete somersault. Click went the door.

Peako had opened the dog-proof door.

The cold wind came howling into the kennel.

Peako pranced out.

When he got out he seemed to realize that the other pups would freeze with the door open.

Standing on his hind legs he pressed against the door and it shut.

But as soon as he started to walk away it opened again.

He stood up and shut it again and realized the door latch would have to be turned to keep it closed.

He put his mouth to the door knob, made a complete somersault again and the door went "click."

He then started to walk up the path to Santa's house.

When he got to Santa's house, all the groundfloor windows were covered with snow.

Peako turned his back to one of the windows and started to wag his tail back and forth.

Like a big windshield wiper it cleared away the snow.

He peeked into the window.

The elves were getting ready to sit down to their evening meal.

Peako licked his lips and started to bark for attention.

But the elves were so busy eating, and the wind was howling so loud that he wasn't heard.

With a prance he walked to the front door..

He breathed on the cold handle to make it nice and warm.

And, again he put his mouth on the handle, did a somersault and the door opened.

Peako, knowing that he wasn't to be away from the kennel, tiptoed toward the dining room.

When he was sure that no one was looking, he crept to Santa's big chair and hid beneath it.

"Boy, this is a good meal," Juniperperper said to Mrs. Claus. "I love chicken-doodle-doo."

He reached for a piece and it dropped on the floor.

"Pick it up," Mrs. Claus said.

Juniperperper reached down to pick up the piece of chicken-doodle-doo.

"Hey, what is going on," he shouted. "It's gone. The piece of chicken is gone."

"Now Juniperperper, it couldn't be," Mrs. Claus said.

"But it is, it is," he said.

"Feel around and you'll find it," Mrs. Claus said.

Juniperperper reached down and felt around the floor.

Suddenly he shouted.

"A cold nose, I feel a cold nose."

With that, Peako came out from under Santa's chair.

More Tomorrow

Some Indian tribes that if you say "bear" the bears will drive you crazy, an unbearable situation!

Dear Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is LeAnn, I am 8 years old. My mother says I have been very good this past year. For Christmas I would like a doll and some new clothes — a ring and some play dishes.
Please don't forget my sister and two little nieces they live in Californai — please remember my big Brother Phillip He is nice and remember by mother and bring her something —
See you Christmas
Love, LeAnn

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7½ years old. My name isRobinand I am in Mrs. Wrights second grade class at Southwest School. I have tried to do my very best in school and have tried to be good at home too. Would you please try to bring me a Barbie going camping set, barbie trunk, Malibu Ken, Snoopy toothbrush, Snoopy radio, operation game, which witch game and a corn popper and some new barbie and Ken clothes. Please don't forget my little sister.
Love
Robin Lizenbee

Deear Santa,
My name is Christy and I am 3½ years old. I have tried real hard to be good for you this year. My mommy and daddy think I have been pretty good. Would you please try to bring me a Baby Alive, a big stove, sink, and refrigerator, new dishes and pots and pans, new doll buggy and bassinett, snoopy radio and anything else you would like for me to have. Please don't forget my sister Robin.
Love,
Christy [illegible]bee

Dear Santa,
Remember us? We're Brad age 5 and Chucky age 3. You left us a few switches last year when you left our toys. Well Santa, we've been better boys this year andwill try to be even better next year.
For Christmas we'd like to have Evel Knievel and his stunt cycle, a Tonka Winnebago, chalkboard, etch a sketch, andtalking Smokey the Bears.
Don't forget all the other children, also our Granny and Paw Paw Morris and Uncle Dave. They still live in Portageville. Our grandma Laux still lives in St. Louis but you'll find Aunt Pat and Aunt Gail in Texas. They joined the Air Force.
We'll leave you a special treat under the tree. We love you Santa.
Thank you
Brad and Chucky
Laux
Portageville, Mo.
P.S. Don't forget our "Teenie" this year. She moved to California, but we love her and miss her very much.

Dear Santa,
My name is Chris Thornton. I've been a good boy. For Christmas I'd like some Cardinal Football shoes, a cowboy outfit and a gun set. I'd also like a rifleman rifle and a Cardinal football suit. I leave cookies for you
Love
Chris

Dear Santa,
My name is Chip Thornton. For Christmas I would like a hula-loop electric race car set, a Donald Duck radio, a putt putt, a cops and robbers chase game, guns and a rifle. Any surprises you bring me I will like too. Oh and don't forget a little battery for my radio.
Love,
Chip Thornton

Dear Santa,
My name is Becky Ann Carter, I am 7 years old. And I go to Southeast School. I would like a big doll, and a knit magic, snow cone maker, Barbie-Beauty center, and two flanel gowns for me and my Grandma. You can put them in my stocking if you want to. D't forget all of the other boys and girls.
Becky Ann Carter

Dear Santa,
My name is Chanda Down Johnson. I am three years old. I am not old enough to write so my Aunt Becky writing this letter. Please bring me a baby doll that crys and wets. A tea set. And a pretty necklace. Bring my grandma and grandpa some candy.
Love Chanda
P.S. My Aunt let me write my name. And I've been good this year so bring me all these toy. And my friend Shelia some toys to. Chanda Down Johnson- East Prairie

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Dear Santa,
My name is Sheila Rae Abner I live 204 Caldwell Street. I am 7 years old. I am in the 2nd grade I've been a good girl this year I would like you to bring me a play-doe pumper No. 9 and a jumping rope and a soda fountain and a snow-cone-maker and thats all I won't and bring my mom a pair of houes-shoes.
Love
Shelia

Dear Santa,
We are two very good little girls and our names are Peggy and Missy Spencer. For Christmas please bring us some toys you think we would like to have and please don't forget all our cousins.
We love you Santa,
Peggy & Melissa
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Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Brian Appleton and I live at 403 Crowe Place in Sikeston. I am seven years old and in the first grade, my teacher name is Miss Murphy.
I have tried to be a good boy this year.
For Christmas I would like to have a Fisher-Price Castle, a Marx sport cycle, some little cars and some new clothes.
Please don't forget my best friend Eugene Stroud and my Great-Grandma Newton, and Great-Grandmother Tarrants of Morehouse, My Grandparents of St. Louis, and Grandmother Appleton of Morehouse and all my cousins and specially Genella.
Wishing you and Mrs. Claus a very Merry Christmas. Then will be cookies and milk on the table.
Your little friend
Brian Appleton
P.S. Don't forget my Uncle Hossi he's been a better boy this year.

Dear Santa,
My name is Barbara Sherman and I am 7 years old and this is what I want for Christmas.
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Which witch
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Indoor Shoe Skates
Cake Decorating
P.S. We will leave you milk and cookies
Barbara Sherman

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Shannon Henderson. I am 3 years old. My mom says I am a pretty good girl. For Christmas I would like a toy box, lots of presents, and a Christmas tree. I will leave you a glass of milk and I love you.
Don't forget my Mamaw and Pampa and my brothes and my big sister and Shawna.
If there's anything left give it to my mother and dad.
Love
Shannon Henderson
Dexter, Mo.

Santa visits

Foster children in New Madrid County were greeted and presented individual gifts and filled Christmas stockings by Santa Claus (Jackson Clay Hunter) Tuesday night during his annual visit to the Christmas party for the children and their parents in the First United Methodist Church educational building at New Madrid. Organizations that provided the party were the New Madrid County Family Services office, New Madrid Business and Professional Women's Club, New Madrid United Methodist Women, New Madrid United Methodist Youth Fellowship and SeMo Voiture 460 of 40 and 8.

(Daily Standard photo)

Chronic bronchitis is serious illness

Because it's common, most people underestimate chronic bronchitis. When a sufferer finally seeks medical help, the disease usually has progressed to an irreversible stage.

"By then, the lung airways are seriously obstructed and the patient is a prime candidate for pulmonary infections, and probably has developed some degree of emphysema and cardiac disease," says William A. Werner, M.D., immediate Past President of the American Lung Association of Eastern Missouri.

Making people aware of the symptoms, and seriousness, of chronic bronchitis is a year-round job for the Christmas Seal association, Dr. Werner said. When it is diagnosed early, bronchitis usually can be successfully treated. Ignored, it progresses to the dangerous and disabling chronic disease that claims more than 5,000 Americans each year.

A chronic cough, one that hangs on for three weeks or so, or one that returns from time to time, is a major symptom of chronic bronchitis. So are spitting up of heavy mucus or phlegm, and shortness of breath.

"The problem is that many people cough without realizing it. They don't know how long they've been coughing and spitting, unless they stop to think about it," Dr. Werner said. "Women underestimate sputum production, since they don't spit. They'll cough and then swallow the mucus. Children never spit up anything, even when they're producing large amounts of mucus."

"It's amazing," he added, "how much shortness of breath a person will tolerate before being aware of something that shouldn't be going on. Shortness of breath after minor effort is never normal, not at any age."

Prompt attention to symptoms is one way of reducing the number of Americans who suffer from chronic bronchitis, now totaling 6.5 million.

"The best way to prevent chronic bronchitis is to give up smoking," Werner said. "There's no question that cigarettes, pipes and cigars are a major cause of this lung crippler."

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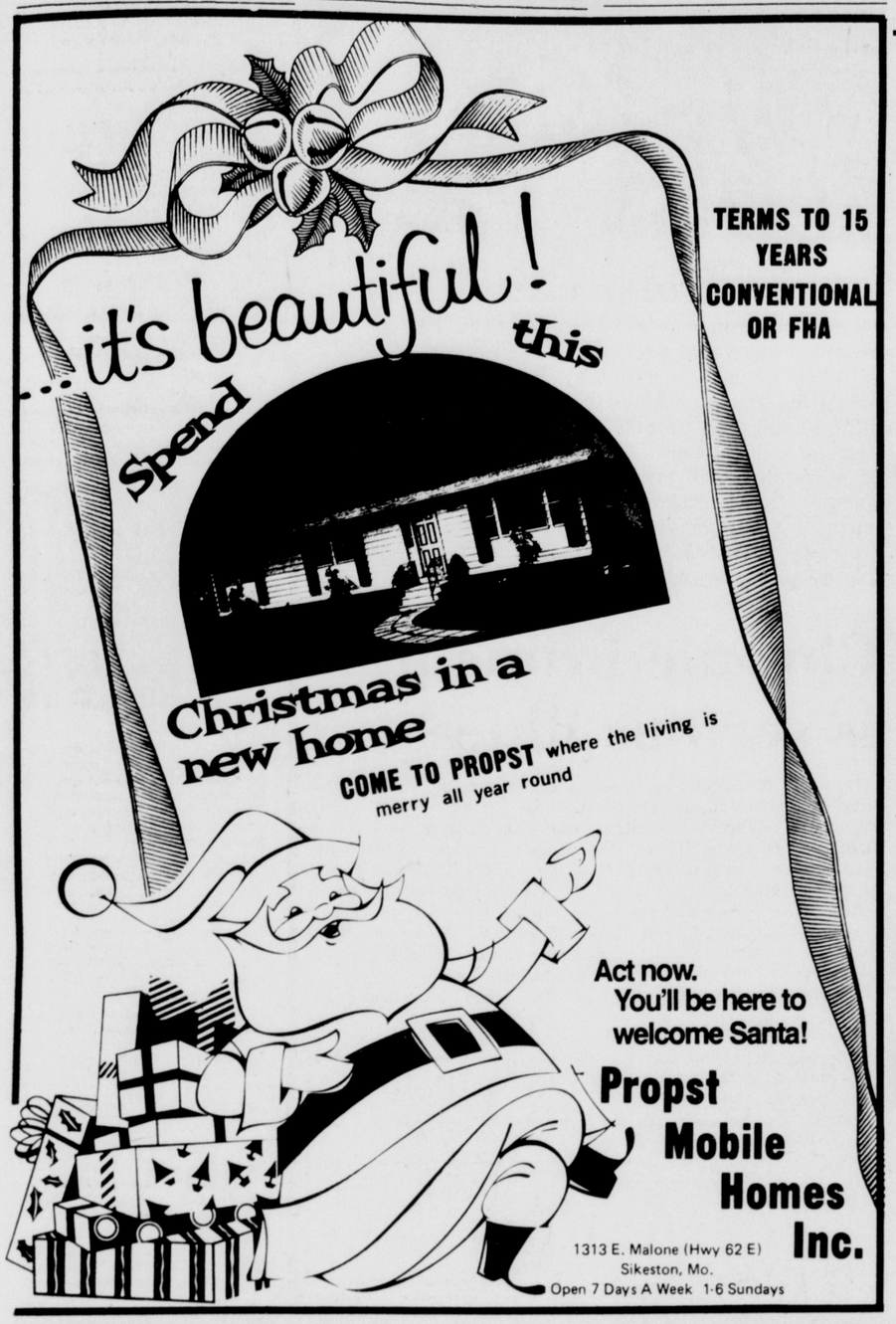

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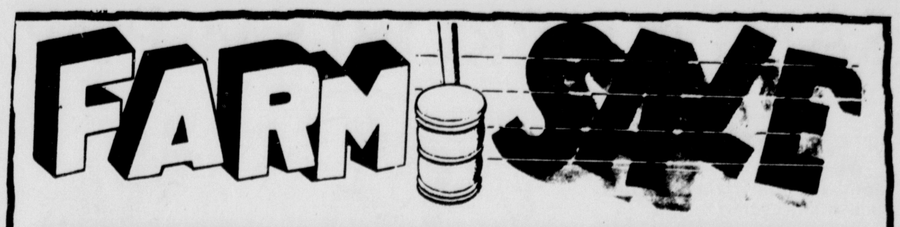

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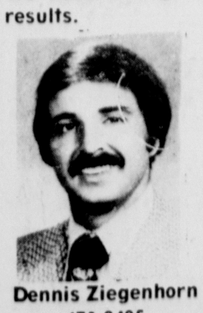
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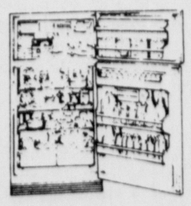

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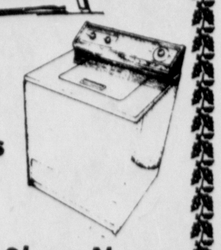

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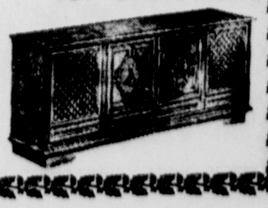

SANTA'S PROBLEM PUP

CHAPTER 4
By Bob Boyle

When they got to the kenne., hundreds of little puppies came running toward him.

"See, Peako, you'll have lots of company here," Miss Kay Nihn said.

But evidently Peako didn't want the company of hundreds of other puppies.

He held his head high, pranced off and ignored all of them.

"Well you'll just have to get used to them," Miss Nihn said. Peako went off to a corner by himself and sat down.

"Well, when I bring your dinner you'll be friendly," Miss Kay Nihn called to Peako as she left.

After she had gone the other little puppies gathered around Peako.

He sniffed at them and started to lick a few.

But as soon as Miss Kay Nihn returned he put up his head and again ignored the puppies.

"So, you're still being difficult, Peako," she said. "Well here is your supper."

The little pups all lined up at their bowls as Miss Kay Nihn put dogfood in each one.

Under her arm she carried a new dish.

"This is for you, Peako," she said. Your very own dish.

She put it down and placed a heaping spoonful of dogfood in the bowl.

Peako sniffed at it, turned his head and walked away.

"Peako, Peako," she said. "You better eat or the other pups will finish it for you."

But Peako went to the corner and refused to budge.

"Okay, you'll go to bed hungry," Miss Kay Nihn said. "I can't give you special treatment."

With that, she went out into the howling North Pole wind.

As soon as Peako realized that she was gone he went to the door.

One of the puppies came up to him and shook its head as if to say, "It's dogproof, Peako, you can't open it."

Peako didn't give up.

He opened his mouth and grabbed the doorknob and twisted. But still the door wouldn't open.

He sat down and scratched behind his left ear with his left front paw.

He got up and again took the door latch in his mouth.

With one bounding leap he made a complete somersault.

And with one bounding leap he made a complete somersault. Click went the door.

Peako had opened the dogproof door.

The cold wind came howling into the kennel.

Peako pranced out.

When he got out he seemed to realize that the other pups would freeze with the door open.

Standing on his hind legs he pressed against the door and it shut.

But as soon as he started to walk away it opened again.

He stood up and shut it again and realized the door latch would have to be turned to keep it closed.

He put his mouth to the door knob, made a complete somersault again and the door went "click."

He then started to walk up the path to Santa's house.

When he got to Santa's house, all the groundfloor windows were covered with snow.

Peako turned his back to one of the windows and started to wag his tail back and forth.

Like a big windshield wiper it cleared away the snow.

He peeked into the window.

The elves were getting ready to sit down to their evening meal.

Peako licked his lips and started to bark for attention.

But the elves were so busy eating, and the wind was howling so loud that he wasn't heard.

With a prance he walked to the front door..

He breathed on the cold handle to make it nice and warm.

And, again he put his mouth on the handle, did a somersault and the door opened.

Peako, knowing that he wasn't to be away from the kennel, tiptoed toward the dining room.

When he was sure that no one was looking, he crept to Santa's big chair and hid beneath it.

"Boy, this is a good meal," Juniperperper said to Mrs. Claus. "I love chicken-doodle-doo."

He reached for a piece and it dropped on the floor.

"Pick it up," Mrs. Claus said.

Juniperperper reached down to pick up the piece of chicken-doodle-doo.

"Hey, what is going on," he shouted. "It's gone. The piece of chicken is gone."

"Now Juniperperper, it couldn't be," Mrs. Claus said.

"But it is, it is," he said.

"Feel around and you'll find it," Mrs. Claus said.

Juniperperper reached down and felt around the floor.

Suddenly he shouted.

"A cold nose, I feel a cold nose."

With that, Peako came out from under Santa's chair.

More Tomorrow

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Dear Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is LeAnn, I am 8 years old. My mother says I have been very good this past year. For Christmas I would like a doll and some new clothes — a ring and some play dishes.
Please don't forget my sister and two little nieces they live in Californai — please remember my big Brother Phillip He is nice and remember by mother and bring her something —
See you Christmas
Love, LeAnn

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7½ years old. My name isRobinand I am in Mrs. Wrights second grade class at Southwest School. I have tried to do my very best in school and have tried to be good at home too. Would you please try to bring me a Barbie going camping set, barbie trunk, Malibu Ken, Snoopy toothbrush, Snoopy radio, operation game, which witch game and a corn popper and some new barbie and Ken clothes. Please don't forget my little sister.
Love
Robin Lizenbee

Deear Santa,
My name is Christy and I am 3½ years old. I have tried real hard to be good for you this year. My mommy and daddy think I have been pretty good. Would you please try to bring me a Baby Alive, a big stove, sink, and refrigerator, new dishes and pots and pans, new doll buggy and bassinett, snoopy radio and anything else you would like for me to have. Please don't forget my sister Robin.
Love,
Christy [illegible]bee

Dear Santa,
Remember us? We're Brad age 5 and Chucky age 3. You left us a few switches last year when you left our toys. Well Santa, we've been better boys this year andwill try to be even better next year.
For Christmas we'd like to have Evel Knievel and his stunt cycle, a Tonka Winnebago, chalkboard, etch a sketch, andtalking Smokey the Bears.
Don't forget all the other children, also our Granny and Paw Paw Morris and Uncle Dave. They still live in Portageville. Our grandma Laux still lives in St. Louis but you'll find Aunt Pat and Aunt Gail in Texas. They joined the Air Force.
We'll leave you a special treat under the tree. We love you Santa.
Thank you
Brad and Chucky
Laux
Portageville, Mo.
P.S. Don't forget our "Teenie" this year. She moved to California, but we love her and miss her very much.

Dear Santa,
My name is Chris Thornton. I've been a good boy. For Christmas I'd like some Cardinal Football shoes, a cowboy outfit and a gun set. I'd also like a rifleman rifle and a Cardinal football suit. I leave cookies for you
Love
Chris

Dear Santa,
My name is Chip Thornton. For Christmas I would like a hula-loop electric race car set, a Donald Duck radio, a putt putt, a cops and robbers chase game, guns and a rifle. Any surprises you bring me I will like too. Oh and don't forget a little battery for my radio.
Love,
Chip Thornton

Dear Santa,
My name is Becky Ann Carter, I am 7 years old. And I go to Southeast School. I would like a big doll, and a knit magic, snow cone maker, Barbie-Beauty center, and two flanel gowns for me and my Grandma. You can put them in my stocking if you want to. D't forget all of the other boys and girls.
Becky Ann Carter

Dear Santa,
My name is Chanda Down Johnson. I am three years old. I am not old enough to write so my Aunt Becky writing this letter. Please bring me a baby doll that crys and wets. A tea set. And a pretty necklace. Bring my grandma and grandpa some candy.
Love Chanda
P.S. My Aunt let me write my name. And I've been good this year so bring me all these toy. And my friend Shelia some toys to. Chanda Down Johnson- East Prairie

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Dear Santa,
My name is Sheila Rae Abner I live 204 Caldwell Street. I am 7 years old. I am in the 2nd grade I've been a good girl this year I would like you to bring me a play-doe pumper No. 9 and a jumping rope and a soda fountain and a snow-cone-maker and thats all I won't and bring my mom a pair of houes-shoes.
Love
Shelia

Dear Santa,
We are two very good little girls and our names are Peggy and Missy Spencer. For Christmas please bring us some toys you think we would like to have and please don't forget all our cousins.
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Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Brian Appleton and I live at 403 Crowe Place in Sikeston. I am seven years old and in the first grade, my teacher name is Miss Murphy.
I have tried to be a good boy this year.
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Please don't forget my best friend Eugene Stroud and my Great-Grandma Newton, and Great-Grandmother Tarrants of Morehouse, My Grandparents of St. Louis, and Grandmother Appleton of Morehouse and all my cousins and specially Genella.
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Your little friend
Brian Appleton
P.S. Don't forget my Uncle Hossi he's been a better boy this year.

Dear Santa,
My name is Barbara Sherman and I am 7 years old and this is what I want for Christmas.
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Snoopy Pencil Sharpener
Spirograph
Ice Bird
Knit Magic
Barbie's Miss America Beauty center
Indoor Shoe Skates
Cake Decorating
P.S. We will leave you milk and cookies
Barbara Sherman

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Shannon Henderson. I am 3 years old. My mom says I am a pretty good girl. For Christmas I would like a toy box, lots of presents, and a Christmas tree. I will leave you a glass of milk and I love you.
Don't forget my Mamaw and Pampa and my brothes and my big sister and Shawna.
If there's anything left give it to my mother and dad.
Love
Shannon Henderson
Dexter, Mo.

Santa visits

Foster children in New Madrid County were greeted and presented individual gifts and filled Christmas stockings by Santa Claus (Jackson Clay Hunter) Tuesday night during his annual visit to the Christmas party for the children and their parents in the First United Methodist Church educational building at New Madrid. Organizations that provided the party were the New Madrid County Family Services office, New Madrid Business and Professional Women's Club, New Madrid United Methodist Women, New Madrid United Methodist Youth Fellowship and SeMo Voiture 460 of 40 and 8.

(Daily Standard photo)

Chronic bronchitis is serious illness

Because it's common, most people underestimate chronic bronchitis. When a sufferer finally seeks medical help, the disease usually has progressed to an irreversible stage.

"By then, the lung airways are seriously obstructed and the patient is a prime candidate for pulmonary infections, and probably has developed some degree of emphysema and cardiac disease," says William A. Werner, M.D., immediate Past President of the American Lung Association of Eastern Missouri.

Making people aware of the symptoms, and seriousness, of chronic bronchitis is a year-round job for the Christmas Seal association, Dr. Werner said. When it is diagnosed early, bronchitis usually can be successfully treated. Ignored, it progresses to the dangerous and disabling chronic disease that claims more than 5,000 Americans each year.

A chronic cough, one that hangs on for three weeks or so, or one that returns from time to time, is a major symptom of chronic bronchitis. So are spitting up of heavy mucus or phlegm, and shortness of breath.

"The problem is that many people cough without realizing it. They don't know how long they've been coughing and spitting, unless they stop to think about it," Dr. Werner said. "Women underestimate sputum production, since they don't spit. They'll cough and then swallow the mucus. Children never spit up anything, even when they're producing large amounts of mucus."

"It's amazing," he added, "how much shortness of breath a person will tolerate before being aware of something that shouldn't be going on. Shortness of breath after minor effort is never normal, not at any age."

Prompt attention to symptoms is one way of reducing the number of Americans who suffer from chronic bronchitis, now totaling 6.5 million.

"The best way to prevent chronic bronchitis is to give up smoking," Werner said. "There's no question that cigarettes, pipes and cigars are a major cause of this lung crippler."

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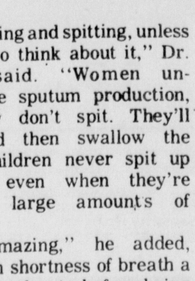
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Dunklin evidence circumstantial, Snyder says

PITTSBORO, Miss.--A delay in the habeas corpus hearing for Dr. Norman Garrison Jr. of Corinth was granted Wednesday after Missouri officials said the murder case against Garrison was based on circumstantial evidence.

Edwin Snyder, a special assistant to Mississippi Atty. Gen. A.F. Summer, represented Missouri in presenting the request for a delay. Dr. Garrison is accused of murdering his ex wife, Lee Ann Garrison, on Sept. 8 in Kennett, Mo.

Because the case hinges on circumstantial evidence, Snyder said it was important that all witnesses be heard. He said many of the witnesses lived out of state and must appear voluntarily to testify or testify by deposition.

The Missouri position is that there is a conflict of evidence and that the law demands the accused be surrendered and returned to Missouri for trial. Dr. Garrison was ordered to be extradited Dec. 4.

Dr. Garrison's attorney argued against the delay, saying, "This matter ought to be brought to a conclusion."

The attorney said Dr. Garrison's medical practice in Corinth "hinges on a speedy trial before this court."

Dunklin County, Mo., officials claim to have evidence linking Dr. Garrison to the slaying of Mrs. Garrison, who was found beaten and shot in her Kennett home.

The defense says it has witnesses who will testify that Dr. Garrison was on an outing at Pickwick Lake at the time of the slaying and, therefore, that he could not be legally extradited.

Circuit Court Judge W.W. Brown, under whose jurisdiction the hearing took place, stated, "in order to give everybody ample time to present everything that ought to be presented," the hearing should be delayed.

Matthews man seriously hurt

A Matthews man was seriously injured and three persons received minor injuries in two area accidents Wednesday, the highway patrol announced today.

Earl Monroe Knight, 69, of Matthews was seriously injured at 10:10 a.m. Wednesday on Route Y three miles west of Kewanee.

The patrol reported accident occurred when Knight's eastbound van ran a stop sign on a gravel road at Route Y and was struck by a westbound pickup truck driven by Jackie Ray Vincent, 31, of Malden. Vincent's truck then ran off the road and overturned, and Knight was thrown from his vehicle by the impact of the collision.

In addition to the injuries to Knight, Vincent and a passenger in his pickup, Everett Raymond Breuer, 31, of Stoutland, received minor injuries. All three were taken to Missouri Delta Community Hospital at Sikeston.

John Russell Gremillion, 46, of Houston, Tex., received minor injuries in a one-vehicle accident at 10:55 a.m. Wednesday on Interstate 55 two miles south of the Highway 80 interchange.

According to the patrol report, Gremillion apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his southbound car, which ran off the road, struck a small embankment and overturned.

He also was taken to Missouri Delta Community Hospital.

2 men sought for attempted robbery

NEW MADRID — Two white men, one armed with a pistol, are being sought by the New Madrid County sheriff's department for an attempted robbery at 11:10 this morning at the Tom Morlan home on Old Kingshighway.

According to Morlan, the house was thoroughly ransacked by the men who entered the home after telling Morlan's 16-year-old daughter Gayle they were plumbers who had come to fix a leak.

Morlan and his wife were in Tom's Market, a grocery store they operate near the house, at the time of the burglary, and he said it had not been determined if anything was stolen.

Miss Morlan, who was sick and at home alone, said one of the men taped her hands and feet and forced her to lie on the bedroom floor covered with a quilt and pillow as one of the men stood beside her while the other searched the house. She said one of the men threatened to kill her several times if she cried out or attempted to get away.

Miss Morlan said she did not see a car and believed the men left on foot. She described one of the men as 6 feet tall and about 30 years old. She did not get to see the other man because her face was covered with the quilt.

Kiwanis, Junior woman's club endorse bond issue

The Kiwanis Club unanimously endorsed bond issue proposal for a Triangle Industries plant Tuesday night after Clem Beal, a Chamber of Commerce director, stressed the importance of the bond issue being approved in next Tuesday's special election during the club's meeting at Ramada Inn.

Club members were urged to endorse and support the bond issue and to ask their friends and families to do the same.

The Sikeston Junior Woman's Club endorsed the bond issue proposal at its monthly meeting last week and voted to make the improvement of the building one of its federated club projects. The club will take pictures of the building renovation progress as it develops, Mrs. Judy Sickal, club president, said today.

Harvest drops

Cotton left standing in the field because of bad weather helped drop this year's harvest in Missouri to 235,000 bales, 20,000 bales fewer than predicted in November. The yield is also expected to be the smallest per acre since 1967. (Daily Standard photo)

Missouri crop harvest among worst in decade

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — December estimates of Missouri crops show farm harvests rank among the worst in a decade.

Don Barrowman, chief statistician of the Missouri Crop Reporting Service, said Wednesday too much spring rain, a summer drought and extreme heat, and a wet, cold fall combined to make a "poor crop year."

Production grew in a few crops because of increased acreage, but yield per acre dropped in practically all crops.

In small grains such as oats, the yield was 31 bushels per acre on 140,000 acres—the lowest yield since 1962. The harvest is expected to be 4,340,000 bushels, the second lowest on record.

Major crops such as corn, soybeans and sorghum had the same estimates as November, when they were estimated to go substantially below the 1973 production. For example, the corn harvest was estimatedat 156.8 million bushels, the state's second lowest in two decades.

The December figures show the barley harvest at 297,000 bushels, the smallest crop since 1934. Barley has been on a "downtrend for years," Barrowman said, because of decreasing profits compared to other crops.

The December cotton figure showed this year's harvest down to 235,000 bales, 20,000 bales fewer than forecast last month. "The bolls didn't open an come through," Barrowman said. Yield is expected to be 347 pounds per acre, the lowest since 1967.

The winter wheat harvest forecast bucks the trend with an expected harvest of 37.9 million bushels. Last year, the harvest was 25.5 million bushels.

However, the yield on winter wheat should be 29.2 bushels per acre, the lowest since 1965 when the yield was 27.5 bushels.

Rye production would be 170,000 bushels with yield of 17 bushels per acre. Those estimates would make the rye yield the lowest since 1962 and the harvest the lowest since 1933.

December figures estimate rice productions on 14,000 acres at 544,000 hundred-pound bags. The yield per acre would the lowest since 1961. Despite poor harvests, crop farmers are "holding their own" because of increased farm prices, C. R. Johnston, president of Missouri Farm Bureau Federation, said. But he added that many livestock farmers are "going broke" because of lagging livestock prices.

The hardest hit area is the south-central Missouri region where farmers are primarily livestock raisers, he said.

Debts of farmers in the state have gone up 13 per cent over last year, Glen Peterson, the federation marketing director, said. He saidthe $94.8 billion debt this year versus $83.9 billion debt last year indicates inflation has hit the farmers.

Auto industry, union leaders urge tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — Auto industry and union leaders "all supported a proposal for a tax cut" to ease the nation's economic crisis, United Auto Workers President Leonard Woodcock said today after the group met with President Ford for two hours.

Woodcock said there were no specific commitments from the President, but that Ford was highly attentative to the problems of the auto industry as presented at the White House meeting.

Woodcock said he cited the crisis situation affecting the automobile industry and construction industry and dragging down the economy. Woodcock also said he expressed a belief that a five-year pause is needed in automobile emission and safety controls to help get costs down.

As the White House session was ending, the House Rule Committee killed a multibillion-dollar tax bill. The bill would have ended the petroleum depletion allowance and hiked oil industry taxes while cutting taxes for millions of average Americans.

The committee, which serves as the traffic cop for the movement of bills to the House, voted 9 to 4 to refuse to consider the massive measure which the House Ways and Means Committee had recommended after many months of work.

Ford said in a speech here Wednesday night he expects to have new programs to combat the nation's economic problems ready for the new Congress when it convenes Jan. 14. His advisers will be working through the Christmas holiday sto prepare the programs, he said.

Treasury Department sources said the options the President will consider include tax cuts, mandatory fuel allocations, financial aid to troubled industries and additional help for the nation's unemployed.

"This country badly needs an income tax cut," Woodcock told reporters in the White House driveway after the session that was also attended by Michigan's Gov. William Milliken; the state's congressional representatives; the Transportation, Labor, Commerce and Treasury secretaries; Ford's economic advisers, and two top executives each from the big four auto manufacturers — Ford, Chrysler, General Motors and American Motors.

The Wholesale Price Index released today showed a further easing of inflationary pressures in the nonfood area, although the rate still exceeded what the administration wants.

Wholesale prices last month rose 1.2 per cent, less than half the October increase, the government reported. Although the November increase was high by normal standards, the Labor department said wholesale increases over the month were less widespread than in preceding months.

Trends in wholesale prices usually show up at the consumer level eventually, offering hope that the rise in retail prices may soon tail off.

Agriculture prices continued to increase sharply at the wholesale level, but prices of industrial commodities — regarded by economists as a truer measure of inflation — rose at the slowest rate in 13 months. Industrial goods rose nine-tenths of a per cent last month.

Over-all wholesale prices have risen 23.5 per cent in the past 12 months, the biggest year-to-year increase since 1947.

Ford's speech offered few clues about his proposals to the next Congress, but it was clear he has abandoned or changed much of the economic program that he announced Oct. 8 after the economic summit.

"We will meet the changing priorities of present and future realities," Ford told the Business Council, a group of about 100 of the nation's top corporate executives.

Ford said he would support increased spending over what he has proposed previously to help the nation's jobless with extended unemployment benefits and public service jobs.

The Senate is planning to vote soon on a $4 billion emergency public service jobs bill to create about 530,000 jobs in the next year. The House is scheduled to take up an emergency unemployment compensation bill to extend benefits an additional 13 weeks for jobless workers.

He said anti-inflation pressure is building and predicted "inflation will move steadily down from the intolerable double-digit level."

Ford said the nation is not in an economic crisis in the sense that it "demands immediate and drastic action."

House passes majority bills

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—Six bills reducing the legal age in Missouri from 21 to 18 were given final approval by the House today and forwarded to the Senate.

The measures, which all carry a clause making them effective upon the governor's signature, would lower to 18 the age to serve on juries, make real estate and contractural agreements, marry without parental consent, become a notary public and the age at which a legal guardian no longer is necessary.

The House then began what was expected to be lengthy debate on a greatly revised Senate-approved usury bill.

The House was to begin debate today on a greatly revised version of a senate prtposal that would hike the state's 8 per cent ceiling on interest, the lowest in the nation.

Although the bill, revamped in committee earlier in the week, was reported to the full house Wedensday; consideration was delayed because many members indicated they wanted more time to review the proposal.

The measure would set a flat 10 per cent limit on all but corporate loans and a limit of four points on residential real estate transactions. It also includes a provision setting up a five-year period during which penalties can be charged for prepayment of mortgages and raises the small loan limit on which 26 per cent interest can be charged from $500 to $800.

The Senate version, which did not include the small loan portion, took the lid completely off home loans and some others while placing a 10 per cent limit on remaining loans, limited points to two and included a three-year prepayment penalty period.

House leaders had hoped to consolidate the large number of amendments expected to be offered for the committee version before the session began today, but there was reported disagreement among Democrats on several provisions including an expiration date.

Under the proposal, the increased rates would expire Sept. 28, 1977, unless renewed or revised by the legislature, but a special joint committee would investigate usury problems in the state, reporting its findings and recommendations to both houses on March 13, 1976.

Although majority Floor Leader Kenneth Rothman, D-Clayton, said he believed a bill could be finalized in the House today or early Friday, he acknowledged there would probably be differences in the House and Senate versions that would have to be worked out in conference committee.

He said, however, that the work of the special session should be completed by the end of next week.

Mental health project office opens here

The Community Mental Health Project office has opened at 111 Branum St., according to Elizabetyh Ferrell, Outreach worker for Scott County.

The Outreach program offers counseling and mental health services to the general public. The program is free to Scott County residents. People from other counties will be taken if there is room, he said.

Mrs. Ferrell said she may open an office in either Benton or Chaffee in the future.

The office phone number is 471-0800.

A student of the month for each class has been named at East Prairie High School. Turn to...page 15.

The all-state high school football team has been announced including two ends from the SeMo area, Keith Mullens of Kennett and Rich Thurmond of East Prairie. For sports news, turn to...page 13.

A survey of four department stores in Sikeston shows credit card applications are up despite a recessionary period. For women's news, turn to.....page 4.

....and Outside

Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday with little temperature change; low tonight in the low to mid 30s; high Friday around 50; southwest winds 6-12 m.p.h. tonight.

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

Chance of rain or snow about Monday, otherwise clear to partly cloudy; through the weekend; highs in high 30s to low 40s; lows from low 20s to around 30.

HIGH AND LOW

High and low temperatures for the period ending at 7 a.m. today were 44 and 33 degrees. Rain measured .17 inch.

Sunset today .....4:42 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow ...7:03 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow..6:58 a.m.
New Moon tomorrow ....10:25 a.m.

The partial eclipse of the sun taking place at this New Moon begins here.....8:10 a.m. and ends .....10:52 a.m.

During this period the moon is passing directly in front of the sun. (NEVER LOOK DIRECTLY AT THE SUN)!!

Daily Standard wins Blue Ribbon designation

WASHINGTON, D.C.--The Daily Standard has been designated a "National Blue Ribbon Newspaper" for 1975 by the National Editorial Foundation, Washington, D.C. This is the third consecutive year The Daily Standard has received Blue Ribbon rating.

In announcing the designation, Foundation President Paul D. Coffman, newspaper publisher from Melrose Park, Illinois noted that the Daily Standard was one of 306 newspapers to achieve this designation in a nationwide program out of 400 newspapers submitted for evaluation. Twenty-five criteria, measuring the newspaper's service to its community against a national standard, were employed in the evaluation. Publishers whose newspapers are recognized for their over-all excellence, or who had previously been accorded the Foundation's Blue Ribbon designation, participated in the judging.

Overall, larger circulation newspapers fared better than smaller ones, and dailies were more successful than weeklies percentage-wise, although many more weeklies participated.

While only 63.8 per cent of weeklies of up to 2,500 circulation received Blue Ribbons, 99 per cent of those with circulation in excess of 20,000 received the coveted designation. Of weeklies with 2,501-5,000 circulation, 71.3 per cent received the Blue Ribbon and 93.3 per cent of those between

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Pay hike recommended for legislators

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—Increasing legislators' pay from $8,400 to $10,500 a year, reducing the House from 163 to 125 representatives and adding a 35th senator are among more than 100 recommendations by a citizens advisory committee.

The recommendations now go to a legislative committee on modernization of the Missouri Legislature. The citizens' committee will continue to work on legislative reform and a resolution has been prepared to extend the life of the committee. Several thousand copies of a final report will be printed.

Among other major proposals recommended after an all-day meeting Wednesday were:

Rohibition of any gifts, even food and drink, to lawmakers.

Prohibition against any legislator from practicing befor any state regulatory agency while he is in office.

Removing the lieutenant governor from the Senate.

Lowering the minimum age for legislators to 21. It now is 30 for senators and 24 for representatives.

Proportional representation by the minority party on all committees, and a requirement that the conference committees representing each house represent the majority viewpoint of the house on a particular bill.

The committee also recommended revamping the staff support divisions of the legislature to include an evaluation and review committee to monitor laws passed in previous years to see that they are enforced, and setting up a legal services section.

Ale recommended were reducing the size and number of committees, and expanding the meeting time to 100 legislative days to be worked anytime in one year.

This could result in annual sessions, depending on how many days the legislature chooses to meet as a body during the week.

The present requirement is 90 legislative days in odd-numbered years,to be covered from January to June 15.

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Thursday, December 12 — 1923-Sigmund Freud cuts record, The Impossible Dream.

POOR CHARLIE SAYS!

Beyond the Alps lies Italy, and lest we forget, behind the billboards lies America.

THE SECRECY ISSUE

The recent overwhelming vote by Congress to override President's Ford's veto of amendments to the Freedom of Information Act was a stunning blow to the White House. At the same time, it was a classic victory for the people's right to know what their government is up to.

President Ford cited three primary reasons for his veto: (1) a provision authorizing Federal judges to examine agency records to see if they can properly be withheld could endanger our diplomatic relations and defense secrets; (2) the bill would permit access to sensitive law enforcement investigation files; and (3) the time limit for agencies to respond to requests for information are "unreasonable."

Proponents of the bill, however, note that its 17 amendments were hammered out in a bipartisan fashion over three years. They contend that the legislation has been carefully drafted to exempt materials that logically should be kept secret, including legitimate national defense information.

"I believe that this bill does protect those lawful sensitive areas of government," said conservative Rep. John Rousselot (R-Calif.). Many other members of Congress also respected for their mature judgment likewise believe the amendments provide necessary safeguards for legitimate national secrets. They argue convincingly that it is needed to force government officials to abide by the provisions of the original Freedom of Information Act passed in 1966. Examples of bureaucratic thwarting of public access to information under the ACT abound.

While feeling some nervousness over the new arrangement as it affects national security information, we believe on balance the bill is a good one. Our citizens must be given the opportunity to view the work of their government wherever it will not threaten the real national interest.

A prime lesson from Watergate is that too often the mistakes and even illegality of our government have been hidden under the stamp of secrecy. Although there is a danger of now overreacting and permitting too much access to federal l files, we believe it is a danger that our democracy must risk.

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It is time to remind the American people that on Nov. 23, 1923, the German mark reached the horrifying level of 4.2 trillion paper marks to the dollar.

That was on the last day of Germany's siege of inflation" following World War I.

Commodity prices were up 35 times, and the entire mortgage indebtedness of the German people was wiped out.

Financial Wizard Dr. Hjalmar Schacht ended the nightmare by creating new money administered by an autonomous national bank.

That couldn't happen today, but let's don't push our luck by following the wrong leaders in Congress and State Legislature who ask for our votes.

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What has become of the old-fashioned man who never let the fire in the base burner go out until the cat washed its face out of doors?

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FBI Director Clarence Kelley expressed grave concern recently over a sharp increase in Soviet bloc espionage. There are now 943 Soviet "diplomats" in the U.S. --an increase of 142 over the previous year and 240 in the last four years. A "substantial proportion" of the 943 have been identified as intelligence operatives, Kelly said.

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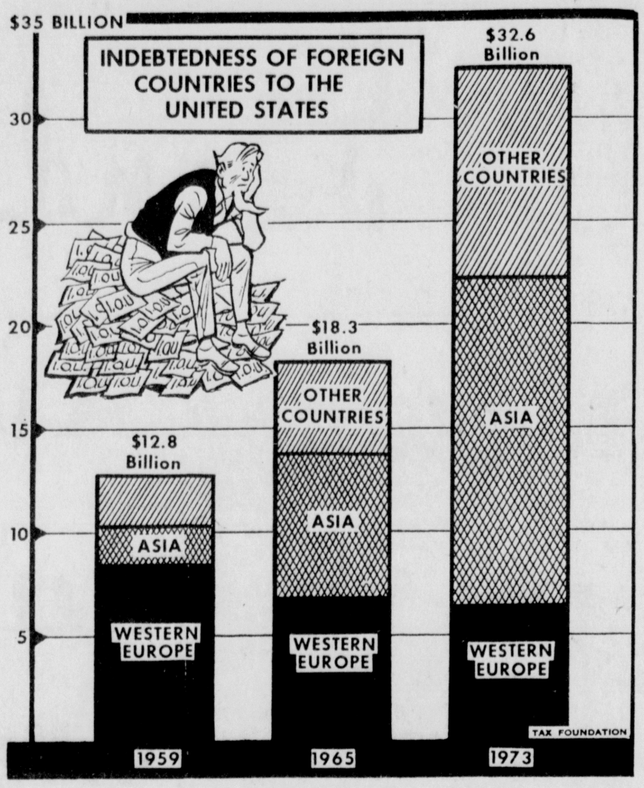
Frank Ferrell, the Mayor of Sikeston says you can flatter any man by telling him he's the kind of man who can't be flattered.



Indebtedness of other nations to the U.S. increased 155 percent between fiscal 1959 and 1973, Tax Foundation, Inc. shows in its forthcoming 18th edition of *Facts and Figures on Government Finance*. "Other Countries" includes Latin America, $6.1 billion in 1973; Eastern Europe, $1.3 billion; Africa, $2.3 billion. While these areas increased their U.S. debt, Western European nations reduced total obligations.

TOMORROW
DECEMBER 13 — FRIDAY
FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH. Dec. 13

SWEDEN: ST. LUCIA'S DAY. Dec. 13

HEINRICH HEINE'S BIRTHDAY. Dec. 13. German author, born, Dusseldorf, Dec. 13, 1797. Died, Paris, Feb. 17, 1856.

PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN. Dec. 13. Maximum eclipse visible in western and north central North America, but some effects will be observable throughout most of North America.

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Possible Questions Relating To The Triangle Industrial Revenue and G. O. Bond Issue.

5. How many non-manufacturing jobs will this company's location in Sikeston create?

Based on national estimates prepared by the Chamber of Commerce shows that for every 125 new manufacturing jobs there will mean: 438 more people, 98 more school children, $1,300,000 personal income more per year, 121 more families, $613,000 more bank deposits, 1.25 more retail establishment, 85 more employed in manufacturing jobs, $706,000 more retail sales per year. In addition to those numbers, Triangle Conduit and Cable Corporation will have 100 rail cars per month and 8,500 truck loads of material shipped per year.

6. How much is the bond issue for?

$1,200,000 is proposed in the form of Revenue bond issue and $750,00 in General Obligation bond issue. The bond issues will not cost Sikeston residents more in taxes as Triangle Conduit and Cable Corporation will be responsible for retiring the bonds.

THE ENVIRONMENT
AND
PRICE CONTROL

With the nation plunging into a morass of controversy over wage and price controls, the public has suddenly found a new interest on which to center it s attention -- and just as if somebody had switched off a searchlight, the actors performing on the stage of ecology and the environment have been left in the dark.

This does not mean that the issues of environmental preservation are any less pressing or authentic. What it does mean ist hat we may have passed through the era of environmental faddism. Headline hunting, political crusaders have found another horse to ride, at least for the time being. The odds are good that the battle of controls, which is far closer to the immediate pocketbook interest of consumers, will be a star attraction for sometime to come. the question is: Will the new preoccupation with hiding inflation by fiat make allowance forthe costs of advancing and applying the technology of pollution abatment. Environmental extremism was always a luxury as are most fads, but genuine long-range environmental programs are a necessity. Long after the issue has left the headlines, major industries are bound, by law and a sense of moral responsibility, to move ahead as rapidly as possible toward land, air and water conservation.

The price tag on these efforts will be high, both for the public and the industries involved. How will the bureaucracy that must be called upon to enforce wage and price controls view the environment issue when it is no longer in the spotlight as a public fad? Will the billions of dollars spent for research in the development of pollution-free autos, power plants, oil refineries and manufacturing concerns of all kinds be recognized as a necessary business expense that must be passed on to consumers in higher prices?

IT'S YOUR TAXES
THEY'RE SPENDING

The House Administration Committee, one of Capitol Hill's least noticed panels, has quitely given all 435 congressmen a pre-election bonus.

By a vote of 17 to 5, the committee hiked the members' "stationery allowance" by $2,250, or 53 per cent. This money can be used for office supplies or can be pocketed, instead, as personal income.

The committee action was denounced by Rep. William L. Dickinson (R.-Ala.) as a "ripoff" of the taxpayers. Committee Chairman Wayne L. Hays (D-Ohio) shrugged off Dickinson's comments as those of a politician searching for a popular issue.

The fact of the matter -- as the Los Angeles Times spelled out recently -- is that the House has pushed through $9,280 in increased allowances in virtual secrecy this year. No votes of the full House were taken on any of these raises.

This means that every congressman now boasts $25,840 in assorted "expense allowances," up 56 per cent from last year's $16,560. For all 435 members, the increase exceeds $4 million.

The expense allowances are in addition to other fringe benefits available to members of Congress, including subsidized life and health insurance, cutrate barber shops and beauty parlors, subsidized dining facilities, free plants form the U.S. Botanic Gardens, and gratis gym facilities.

Members of Congress also receive a special tax break allowing them to deduct from income $3,000 for "living expenses" while in Washington. The Times reported that the House Ways and Means Committee has tentatively approved a measure that would boost the deduction to more than $7,500. That's the powerful committee chaired by Arkansas' Wilbur Mills who needs more spending money for champagne and go-go dancers.

Maybe you don't agree with us that we need an "anti-inflation" Congress instead of a "veto-proof" Congress, but it is time we call a spade a spade about lawmakers lining their pockets.

A fellow who owned a ranch in the cattle country was thrown from his horse and rushed to the hospital. A few days later one friend of his asked another: "Did old Hank finally get all right?"

"No," was the reply. "He ain't all right, but he's back like he used to be."

NUCLEAR WITH HUNT

Astounding tales of primitive superstition, from witch burning in New England to Indian folklore of the West, are usually received by the sophisticates of today with a sort of "it couldn't have happened" disbelief. Yet, in recent years, the same sort of black superstition has been exhibited in much of the unreasoning opposition to nuclear power development.

The Honorable Craig Hosmer, U.S. Representative from California and a member of the Congressional Joint Committee on Atomic Energy has spiked the guns of the atomic witchcraft cult with facts that will make sense to most people. "Fact 1: The Atomic Energy Commission, the Joint Committee, and the nuclear industry have demanded and achieved a level of public safety never before attained in any industry, at anytime, at anyplace. Fact 2: The procedures and protections developed and enforced by the AEC are such that atomic energy is recognized by the National Safety Council as one of the safest fields in American industry. Fact 3: We have been designing, building, and operating commercial nuclear power plants in this country for 17 years, and no member of the public has ever been killed or even injured as a result....Fact 4 Malfunctions and breakdowns have occurred in nuclear plants--just as they occur in any industrial operation--but built-in, in-depth safety features have prevented harm from happening either to the public or to atomic industrial workers. Fact 5: In its radiation control systems, AEC has developed the world's first comprehensive and effective environmental protection program. As a result, there is more detailed scientific knowledge about radiation than any other environmental pollutant."

In the opinion of Congressman Hosmer, 25 years of experience with atomic energy has shown that it is "...safer than going to church, particularly if you drive your car."

ACCIDENT

A zipper opened wide its mouth,
Bared its teeth and bit its tongue...

Visit Sheridan Square, where you can trip and fall, and make $30 before you can get up!

THERE'S USUALLY A WAY IF YOU LOOK FOR IT

Two men faced with financial disaster solved their problem this way:

The first man, a service station owner in a midwestern city, was suffering a decided loss in business to his competitors because they were giving away trading stamps which were unavailable to him. The stamp franchises had already been spoken for before he came on the scene.

To offset this disadvantage he began giving away U.S. postage stamps, equivalent in value to what the customer would normally receive in trading stmps. He advertised that his stamps did not have to be pasted in a book, did not have to be exchanged for merchandise, and that they increased in value the longer you held them.

He had to hire extra hands to help take care of the increase in trade.

The second man, a contractor, was about to miss his completion deadlines and lose his contract because of the slow pace of his workmen on a construction project. They were being paid by the day to haul dirt via wheelbarrows to a land-fill site.

After figuring out what each wheelboarrow load was worth, he decided to pay by piecework. He instructed his foreman to stand at the dump with a supply of cash. The men would be paid on the spot for each load delivered.

The pace suddenly picked up and the job was finished in half the time alloted for it-at considerable savings-with the workmen earning more than on a daily schedule.

NO LENIENCY FOR THE WATERGATE JURY

The 12 men and women who will constitute the jury in the Watergate coverup trial currently in progress in Washington, DC., face the prospect of being sequestered for as long as several months.

However long the trial takes, each night they will be locked up in their hotel rooms and denied access to radio, television and newspapers, and even private visits from family and friends, lest they be influenced by other than the evidence presented in court. Their only communication with the outside world will be through or in the presence of their guards and court officials.

This will actually amount to a more severe and possibly longer confinement than has been handed out to some of the lesser figures convicted in previous Watergate cases, some of whom were sentenced to spend a few months in the easy atmosphere of "minimum security" prisons where the only restriction on them was that they could not leave the grounds.

". . .The greatest danger facing our system of free, private, competitive enterprise is the refusal of too many in the business community today to face the mounting evidence of a new passion for governmental regulation and control. This is passion that threatens not only our traditional way of doing business, but the economic well-being of the American people."

—Sen James L. Buckley
(R-Con.-N.Y.)

WIPED OUT IN SAFETY

Stringent new laws concerning product safety are being proposed in Congress under the label of consumer protection. This concern with safety along with that over the "quality of life," which is becoming something of a shop-worn phrase, acquires an "Alice In Wonderland" flavor when compared to some of the stark headlines dealing with the state of world affairs.

For example, while Congress worries about the housewife getting her finger caught in a wringer, an AP dispatch from London reports that the Soviet Union now has almost 45 percent more land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles than the united States--1,510, in contrast with 1,054 for the United States.

The AP dispatch also reports that while the West retains superiority at sea, "the Soviet fleets are now able to offer a challenge at every level." Without a doubt, the United States stands a good chance of achieving the record of being the "safest" nation ever to have been wiped out in a nuclear holocaust.

The young newly-weds had just finished dinner and began dessert.

Groom: "Dear, there's something wrong with this cake. It doesn't taste right."

Bride: "That's just your imagination. The cookbook says it's delicious."

Betcha Didn't Know...

"etc." is something you use to claim you know more than you really do.

"I hear your sister is sick in bed, Johnny," remarked a neighbor. "Nothing serious I hope."

"Oh, no," answered Johnny. "We were just playing a game to see who could lean the farthest out the window, and she won."

WHAT WOULD COLUMBUS THINK?

If Christopher Columbus had discovered the New World as it is today, what would have been his impressions?

We honor Columbus each year not only because he discovered America but also because of the sterling qualities he showed in an age of disbelief. Without his initiative, perseverence, determination, deep sense of responsibility, ingenuity and self-reliance he would not have dared to cross the uncharted Atlantic Ocean.

These very qualities of character would temper his judgment of America. Undoubtedly he would see the terrible smog over our metropolitan areas. He could not help but observe the squalid slums, the prejudice and discrimination and the overwhelming burden of government that have become major problems.

But we think Columbus would have been more impressed with America's competitive enterprise system. He would find this to be the greatest economic way of life ever developed, one which turned a primitive land into an industrial giant within a few hundred years.

He would note that industry has provided more than 80 million jobs, with the labor force growing every year. He would note that this country has the highest standard of living. For instance, an American needs to work only 15 minutes to pay for a pound of roast beef, while it would take a Japanese 116 hours and a German 36 hours. This, Columbus would find, is the result of higher levels of productivity stemming mainly from more advanced technology and more investment in capital equipment.

Columbus would marvel at our cars and highways, planes and airports, our recreational facilities and universities-largely built by free enterprise or by the tax money that system generates.

Yes, if Columbus had discovered America as it is today, he would have sent his ship back to Spain to get Ferdinand and Isabella.

Art Buchwald

THE GREAT PLOWSHARE TREATY

WASHINGTON — It is written in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah that the Lord promised the people that,"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

It never really happened and I have in my possession a Dead Sea Scroll which tells why.

At one time the Philistines and Judah signed a disarmament pact limiting the number of swords and spears. When the King of Judah brought the treaty back to his people, there was joy in the land.

"Does this mean we will not have to spend gold for arms?" they asked.

"It means no such thing," the king replied. "We will, in fact, have to spend more gold than ever."

"But," a scribe asked the king, "if we have a treaty with the Philistines, why do we have to spend more gold for armaments?"

"Because if we have to beat our swords into plowshares and our spears into pruning hooks, we must develop new weapons to oppose the Philistines," the King of Judah replied. "Thiswill involve a sizable investment in research of rock-throwing machines and armored donkeys, which as you know are not covered by the treaty. We cannot allow our agreement with the Philistines to put us at a military disadvantage."

"Sire," another scribe said, "does the agreement mean that (ital) all (unital) swords will be beaten into plowshares and (ital) all (unital) spears into pruning hooks?"

"No, it doesn't. It means that both sides may keep the swords they now have and increase their spear carriers to 2,400. The Philistines, as you know, have superiority in the weight of their spears, but our throwers are twice as accurate. We have more than enough to repulse any first-strike attack, but we're still weak in conventional weapons such as sticks and large stones."

"How can we be sure that the Philistines will not put more than one head on their spears?" a scribe asked.

"While the treaty does not limit the number of heads you can put on a spear," the king replied, "it does limit the number of carriers to throw them. This is the first time the Philistines have even been willing to discuss putting a stop to the spear race."

"What is to prevent the Philistines from beating their swords into plowshares and then attacking us with the plowshares?"

"At this time we have a three-to-one plowshare advantage over the Philistines.

"Our defense people have asked for an extra ton of gold to finance an anti-plowshare system which could detect the deployment of any new plowshares by the Philistines. They also are asking in their budget for a new sailing vessel capable of launching fireballs against a Philistine boat at 30 feet. This will make up for any loss we will suffer in not being permitted to make new swords. I shall make these requests to the council in my State of the Kingdom message next week."

"Sire, forgive me for saying this, but we don't seem any closer to peace with the Philistines than we were before the plowshare treaty. Could you tell us what we gained from it?"

"The Philistines have agreed to buy all our wheat crops until 23 BC."

Washington-Merry-Go-Round

Jack Anderson

JACK ANDERSON SAYS: The Government Lobbyists: Taxpayers Pay to be Plucked

WASHINGTON — We have counted at least 600 government lobbyists whose duty is to squeeze more money out of the taxpayers.

To the best of our estimate, they draw $15 million in salaries each year from the taxpayers who, thereby, pay to be plucked.

Every federal agency, which hopes to get a share of the government gravy, has its own lobbyists on Capitol Hill buttering up congressmen.

The Pentagon, for example, keeps separate offices on the Hill for each of the armed services. This million-dollar lobbying operation employs 50 people.

The Environmental Protection Agency, a new bureaucratic offshoot scrambling for its place in the appropriations draw, has hastily recruited 41 people to impress its needs upon Congress. The annual lobbying budget has not reached $944,000.

The State Department has 25 people courting congressmen, with a budget just under $600,000. The Health, Education and Welfare Department has a total liaison force of 20, which costs the taxpayers $911,000 a year.

The White House also has a branch office on Capitol Hill, staffed by 12 lobbyists. The Central Intelligence Agency has six lobbyists prowling the corridors of Congress.

Even the antipoverty program, which has fallen on hard times, still scrapes together $152,000 a year for a 10-man lobbying unit. The government lobbyists, in return for congressional favors, pamper members of Congress outrageously.

The State Department's liaison staff, for example, serves as a travel bureau for congressmen who like to travel abroad. Urgent cables go out from the liaison office notifying U.S. embassies that Sen. Vance Hartke, D-Ind., needs hotel reservations in Ceylon, that Sen. James Abourezk, D-S.D., is a vegetarian, that Rep. Ed Hutchinson, R-Mich., wants tickets forthe opera "Aida" in Austria.

American diplomats around the world are pressed into service as luggage carriers and tour guides for the tourists from Capitol Hill.

Presidential lobbyists arrange special White House tours, at the request of congressmen, for favored constitutents. The National Gallery provides reproductions of its famous masterpieces to decorate congressional offices. The National Park Service offers scenic photographs through it liaison office. And the CIA's lobbying team delivers copies of foreign news broadcasts to members of Congress who are mentioned in them.

Perhaps the most resourceful lobbying of all has been achieved by the armed services, which use the congressmen themselves. They are simply commissioned in the reserves and taken on active-duty tours of such pleasure spots as Paris, London, Rome, Tokyo, Hong Kong and Honolulu.

Government agencies also help congressmen answer their mail. Letters that are routed to the bureaucracy through congressional offices are especially marked, acknowledged within 24 hours and, meanwhile, reviewed by as many as a dozen nervous bureaucrats.

The Social Security Administration, for example, receives photocopies of letters from Capitol Hill and rushes them to the "congressional correspondence unit" in Baltimore. This special mail group is staffed by 240 civil servants.

The Veterans Administration employs 14 government workers to handle veterans casework that is referred by congressional offices.

Other agencies help congressmen get local publicity by advising them in advance of federal expenditures in their districts. This advance warning system permits the congressmen to "announce" the federal grant or contract award to the press, thus gaining credit for securing federal money that they likely had nothing to do with.

HEW, for example, has a special "grants notification unit," which keeps four full-time workers busy tipping off congressmen.

On Capitol Hill, legislation is shaped as much by the public debates. These less visible forces are constantly applied by lawyers and lobbyists, fixers and expediters.

The most effective of all probably are the government lobbyists.

WATCH ON WASTE: While Social Security applicants shiver and starve, the judges who sit on their cases fly to Puerto Rico at the taxpayers expense for vacations in the sun. Here's how they work it:

Puerto Rico is short of the administrative Law Judges who handle Social Security cases. Judges from the North, therefore, junket to San Juan to spend a few hours in court. Then they head for the beaches and the bistros.

Most of the cases involve poor, Spanish-speaking Puerto Ricans. Since the mainland judges don't usually speak Spanish, the taxpayers not only must pay their air fares and hotel bills but also the cost of interpreters.

It would be cheaper, of curse, to hire another judge for Puerto Rico. But this would put an end to Social Security junketing.

Inside Labor

Victor Riesel

Capture Themselves: Is Meany Preparing for 1976 Political Neutrality -- Again?

WASHINGTON -- It should be reported that on the morning after the Kansas City mini-convention adjourned, the sentiment in the upper reaches of labor's national headquarters here was that there "is no such thing as a national Democratic party.';'

It was all said quite nonchalantly, in matter of fact tones. Meany's labor machine just didn't have the votes to dent the black-McGovern-sundry minorities coalition which worked up a Missouri compromise that in labor's headquarters meant that the quota system still ruled the party and its national convention delegate selection system.

"We're against quotas," said a Meany intimate. "We always have been. We always will be. We don't believe a party should choose its leaders on the basis of their being a black, a Jew, an Italian, a Catholic -- rather it should be leadership talent and we're not about to start listing our people by race, color or creed."

The point was made incisively that "we are not the official labor arm of the Democratic Party."

I gathered I was being told that so far as the eighth-floor (AFL-CIO president George Meany's executive suite) was concerned, the Democratic party was on its own. The McGovern bloc led by the little known Al Baron could claim victory at Kansas City -- but not unity. And for the moment this was hardly as important as the AFL-CIO's intense campaign to defeat the Ford-Kissinger-Jackson Soviet-favoring international trade bill. Long letters have been dispatched by chief AFL-CIO lobbyist Andy Biemiller to all Senators.

The mini-convention, which in the mind of the Meany forces had "Europeanized" the Democratic party, was about as important as the football game for which the delegates adjourned in time for the kickoff.

There are national, indeed international, implications in all this. Question is: will this be a repetition of the 1970-72 feud between the Meany forces which hung loose and neutral in '72, and the Democratic party's pro-McGovern "Labor Progressive Caucus"? If so, can a Democratic ticket, nominated by a quota dominated national convention, defeat even a post-Watergate Republican slate without the support of the forces led by AFL-CIO President George Meany and his rueful perpetual motion political Committee on Political Education (COPE) director Al Barkan?

It must be pointed out that Barkan is no power broker as he was dubbed by professional political journalists. He is Meany's spokesman. And George Meany is the American labor movement's envoy to Washington, ambassador to the White House and virtually one-man liaison with the President of the U.S.

Meany's cigar is no magic wand. His power springs from the majority votes he controls on the AFL-CIO Executive Council. Without it even he would have to step aside. He gets those commanding votes because he delivers, because he actually speaks for a goodly number of this high command.

Politically he doesn't, of course, speak for the Labor Progressive Caucus members, the militants such as municipal employes leader Jerry Wurf, or for some of the old CIO union's chiefs. But in the high labor council they are a minority. They fought fiercely and skillfully for George McGovern in 1972. But they lost all but one state when Meany and his coalition, some of them hard hats, some of them intellectuals indeed, abandoned the South Dakotan. And it was Ted Kennedy who at the last minute in Miami ('72) actually telephoned Meany and offered to buck McGovern for the nomination (who delivered to the Democrats their lone victorious state, Massachusetts).

It was the quota system which defeated the labor people at "Miami." There still is a quota system. In a sense it kept such men as the AFL-CIO's agile political Pennsylvania chief Mike Johnson from being a delegate to the mini-convention. Also the influential Ziggy Arywitz, long labor political power in California.

Johnson was defeated because he backed a Republican, Sen. Richard Schweiker, for reelection. Arywitz also supported a Republican.

There is a quota system now, too, through it's called "affirmative action." This will be interpreted along the line of the civil rights yardstick in industry. This will mean the Meany-COPE coalition will have mighty little influence at the '76 Democratic nominating convention.

What then will happen when the candidates come, political hat in hand for labor's money, manpower and instant political campaign machinery?

They may well find Meany and colleagues neutral again. And it will be seen whether a Democratic ticket can be elected without the full support of all of labor, all of its political funds and its working class cloak.

The mini-convention may well have voted for Jerry Ford.

NO BACKSEAT DRIVERS in Bill Vernedoe's car. The customized Volkswagen's backseat is occupied by 10 90-ampere lead acid batteries that power the "lightning bug" as he calls it. Vernedoe, an employe at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Alabama, uses a 27-horsepower electric motor which puts out a top speed of 50 m.p.h. The car can cover 40 miles between recharges.

Israeli jets stage air raid

By The Associated Press

Israeli jets bombed a suspected Palestinian commando training site on the southern edge of Beirut today less than 24 hours after a terrorist set off grenades in a Tel Aviv movie theater, killing himself, an Israeli woman and a British engineer and wounding 58 others.

Beirut airport was closed to all incoming and outgoing flights. Casualties in the air raids were not known, and there was no immediate comment from the Israeli command.

But an informed Israeli source in Tel Aviv said: "The target area in the Beirut raid is a PLO training installation. We have every reason to believe that it was where the planning for the cinema raid was carried out. It is a center for special operations of a very delicate and sensitive nature."

At least four Israeli jets flew over the Lebanese capital dropping bombs on several camps shorly after 3 p.m. — 9 a.m. EST. Smoke rose over the camps as air raid sirens wailed throughout Beirut.

The jets dipped low over the city as they made at least two bombing passes. Witnesses said the major camps of Sabra and Shatilla and the smaller Tal Zaatar camp near the Beirut airport took hits.

Residents at another camp, Bourj el Barajneh, said they were not hit but that guerrillas fired antiaircraft rockets at the attacking jets.

The proguerrilla newspaper Al Moharrer quoted Yasir Arafat, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization, as claiming responsibility for the Tel Aviv movie attack Wednesday night.

"This is a retaliation in kind for the Beirut operation," he was quoted as saying, referring to rocket attacks Tuesday on three PLO offices in Beirut that caused heavy damage and slightly injured five persons. "We have struck back. Next time it would be within six hours if Israel dares to stage another operation against us."

But the Marxist Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which opposes Arafat's leadership on grounds it is not tough enough, also claimed responsibility for the theater attack.

What the tavern juke box needs is a selection that buys three minutes of silence.

A fine sense of touch is what the office mooch has.

Immunity offered for information

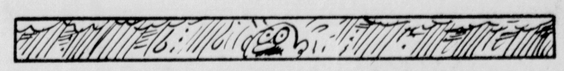
KANSAS CITY (AP)—A Kansas City banker under indictment for allegedly making illegal political contributions says he was offered immunity in return for information about corruption in Missouri state government involving Democratic party leaders.

The allegation was made Wednesday in a brief filed in federal court by Alexander Barket, suspended president and chairman of the Civic Plaza National Bank, who faces trial on two charges of illegal contributions with bank funds. He was suspended from the post after he was indicted.

Barket's lawyer, Veryl L. Riddle of St. Louis, alleged that U.S. Atty. Bert C. Hurn "desired to obtain information he believed Barket possessed concerning alleged corruption in Missouri state government by elected officials and Missouri Democratic party officials."

Riddle said Hurn suggested the prospect of immunity in exchange for such information. Riddle said he told Hurn that Barket did not have the information and Hurn then got a federal grand jury to indict Barket.

Barket was an early supporter of Warren E. Hearnes, who was elected in 1964 to the first of two terms as governor.



Some people believe that getting your head wet in the rain on May Day prevents headache for a year.

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With lima beans & oven brown potatoes. $1.95
THESE INCLUDE TOSSED SALAD COFFEE OR TEA. HOT ROLLS & BUTTER.

Carter sets forth platform for presidential candidacy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gov. Jimmy Carter of Georgia set forth a platform for his presidential candidacy today and called for "new leadership and new ideas" to bridge the gulf between the American people and their government.

Carter outlined a broad agenda of governmental reforms in a speech at the National Press Club here. He planned to announce his candidacy formally later today at a rally in Atlanta.

"To begin with, the confidence of people in our own government must be restored," Carter said. "But too many officials do not deserve that confidence."

He called for "an all-inclusive sunshine law in Washington" to open to public scrutiny most governmental meetings, urged full financial disclosure by all federal officials and called for "a drastic and thorough revision of the federal bureaucracy."

In an interview before his two appearances, Carter, who is considered a distinct longshot for the Democratic presidential nomination, said he thought his chances "excellent" and declared, "I'm in the race to stay."

He joins Rep. Morris K. Udall of Arizona as an active candidate in a Democratic presidential field expected to swell considerably before the first primary in New Hampshire in March 1976.

In his speech, Carter said "political leaders have been isolated from the people and "have made decisions from an ivory tower.

"Now is the time for this chasm between people and government to be bridged, and for American citizens to join in shaping our nation's future."

He urged these specific steps:

—Open all meetings of regulatory agencies, executive departments and congressional committees to the public "except in a few rare cases."

—Prohibit all gifts to public officials.

—Disclosure of all business involvements of major government officials.

—Personnel of regulatory agencies should be barred for four years from joining the industry they regulate.

—Public financing of congressional campaigns.

—Tighter controls on lobbyists.

—Appearance by Cabinet members before the full House and Senate to answer questions about their departments.

Grading system may go unchanged

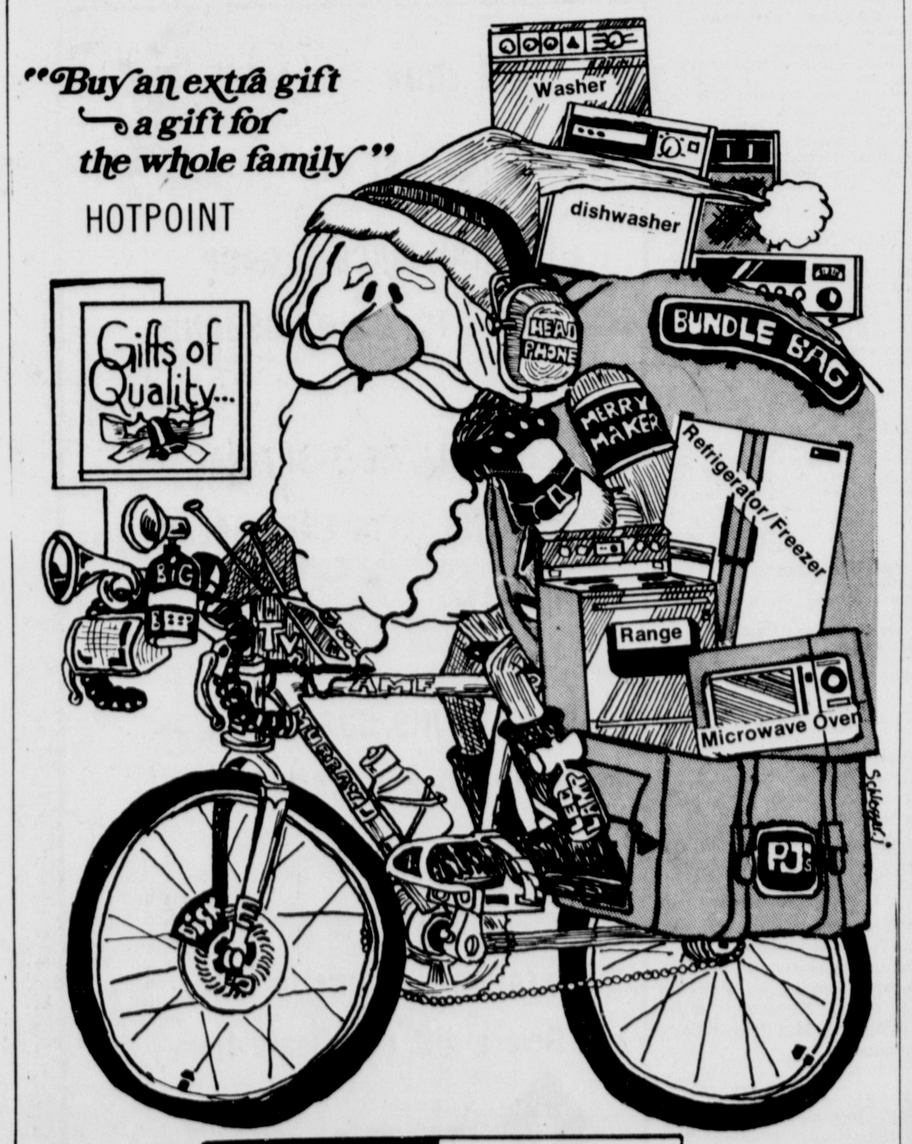
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department is reconsidering its plans to change the beef grading system in the wake of an unprecedented outpouring of mail from consumers.

The grading system is best known to consumers by labels on supermarket meat designating cuts as prime, choice or good, the top three classifications.

The proposed change would allow some younger cattle now graded good to be graded in the choice category as part of a move intended to reflect new developments in cattle breeding and feeding. Consumer advocates say the change will mean shoppers will pay choice prices for good meat.

The Agriculture Department had received some 3,000 letters on the proposed change by Tuesday, with many more expected. Sources said the response has prompted serious talk within the department.

IT'S CHRISTMAS AT PJ's SUPPLY CO.



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Women's Page

Meetings

TUESDAY

HB Chapter of P.E.O. will hold its annual Christmas party 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Joe McCord, 33 Green Meadows.

THURSDAY

The annual Sikeston Ministerial Alliance Christmas luncheon will be held at noon at the Murray Lane Baptist Church.

FRIDAY

The Scott County Central High School band and chorus will present a Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. in the school gym. There will be no admission charge.

MONDAY

The Sikeston Hospital Auxiliary will hold its banquet at 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn for members only and candy stripers.

Births

CARRIER — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carrier of Bridgeton are parents of their third child, a son born Nov. 12 at . . Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis. The boy weighed five pounds 12 ounces and has been named Brett Alan.

Mrs. Carrier is former Lois McFerron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Madge McFerron of Bloomfield. Carrier is employed by McDonnell Douglas Aircraft in St. Louis and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carrier of Aquilla.

FRIDAY'S MENU

BOWL OF HOT SOUP, SALTINES 45c

FRIED FILLET OF FISH DINNER
tartar sauce, lemon wedge, choice of two vegetables, roll or bread — 1.45

1. **BAKED MACARONI AND CHEESE** tossed salad and roll 1.19

3. **CHICKEN FRIED STEAK** on bun . . . . . .95¢

HOT SANDWICHES

#100 **HOT ROAST TURKEY,** cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy 1.25

#101 **HOT ROAST BEEF,** mashed potatoes, rich brown gravy 1.25

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Pine trees to glow moderately

"Christmas trees may
glow this year
In homes across the nation,
But energy's still
in short supply
So, "glow" – in moderation!"

If the Federal Energy Administration were poetically inclined, its 1974 holiday-season policy might be summed up in those words. Holiday lighting almost disappeared last year at the height of the fuel crisis. Now, it's back, even though everything from fresh-cut Christmas trees to the electricity consumed by holiday lights will cost more, and "moderation" is the official stance of the FEA.

What this means to your holiday decoration plans is an increasing emphasis on low-wattage holiday lighting; tree lights that are cooler, smaller or fewer (or all three); and simply turning off one type of holiday lighting when using another.

Since the traditional Christmas tree is nearly always the focal point of holiday lighting, the FEA's "moderation" policy also places much more emphasis on selecting a well-formed, fresh tree, whether fir, spruce or pine family.

No longer should you expect to "mask" irregularities in your tree (missing branches, less-than-perfect geometric shape, etc.) with lights or decorations. And, with more of the tree seen more often during the holidays, you'll want to keep it as fresh as possible -- and those pesky evergreen needles off the floor. Here are some "do's" and "don'ts" that will help:

Do test for freshness before selecting a tree by bending the needles to see if they're pliant. Also, a fresh tree will hold its needles if you gently tap it on the ground.

Don't wait for clotted resins to form at the base of the tree and block it from absorbing water. To prevent this, immediately saw off about one inch on the diagonal from the tree trunk.

Do place the tree in a bucket of water mixed with Prolong live-cut Christmas tree preserver. Remember to change the water often using the same ratio of one capful to each eight ounces (one cup) of water.

Don't place the tree near a heat source which may cause it to dry out. And, make sure it's secure in its water-holding stand.

Do enjoy your beautiful, fresh, live-cut tree all through the holiday season.

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The University of Missouri-St. Louis "Urban and Industrial Manuscripts" collection has a series of tape recorded interviews with legendary black jazz artists.

Applications are up

Credit cards never die

By JACKIE SCHOENEMAN

The credit card has been accused of being untrustworthy, convenient and a fake substitute for real money.

Actually, the little plastic cards are harmless if used with restraint. It is this restraint, like dieting, that some women never seem to conquer.

Perhaps this is the reason so many women disavow ever using the plastic demons. And women who do use the cards use them seldom or very frequently.

For women who dare to use credit cards there is an added danger--misplacing them or having them stolen.

With holiday shopping in full swing, credit cards easily can be thrown away in the trash or forgotten in a store for someone to pick up and start a free shopping spree.

Many department stores in Sikeston can provide little assistance when credit cards are lost or stolen because they are only branch stores. However, if a card is lost or stolen, the victim should call immediately either the manager or credit manager of the branch store to find out the telephone number of the regional office. Some credit cards list a toll-free number on the back to call.

Immediate contact with the regional offices is very important in order to avoid paying gigantic bills when a lost or stolen credit card is misused.

Under recent federal legislation, the credit cardholder is liable for a maximum of $50 of ten called the "floor limit"-if the loss or theft is reported at once.

Regional offices welcome a phone call to report an emergency of this nature. Over the phone, they will ask the account number, date issued and expiration date and the person's name, address and telephone number of the ranch store to be notified.

However, Mrs. Evelyn Struwe, credit supervisor for Penneys, suggests sending an air mail registered follow-up letter to the regional office reiterating the above information and describing how you think the card was lost or stolen. A carbon copy of the letter sent should be kept for your own files.

As soon as possible, either the branch store or regional office will issue a "stop" list naming a card as stolen or lost. This list is posted at cash registers in the store.

In the meantime, the cardless credit customer usually can charge purchases by providing proper identification such as a driver's license, Bank Americard, Master Charge of American Express card.

However, to be reissued another card may take a minimum of "less than a week, depending on

Credit card mania

An informal survey of four department stores in Sikeston reveal credit card applications have increased since last year despite the recessionary state of the economy. However, many women prefer to use credit cards only for emergencies.

mail service," Mrs. Joan Caverno, office manager at Britts Department Store, said. The maximum is a month at some stores.

And, if a cardholder cannot remember his account number or the date issued and expiration date, a quadruplicate list of all cards in his or her name should be compiled with that information included. Copies should go to both spouses, a close friend and one should be stored in a safe place at home.

BankAmericard or Master Charge are the only credit cards approved at some discount department stores. With this form of credit, a store, if it wants to, can call a special Wats line number in an affiliated bank, usually in a large city such as St. Louis or Memphis, for an authorization, Mrs. Betty Boyd, credit assistang manager at Bank of Sikeston said. This authorization takes about 10 seconds to do, and if the store is successful in locating a "hot" card, it is paid $25 by the affiliated bank of BankAmericard or Master Charge, Clem Beal, a Bank of Sikeston vice president, said.

To report a loss or theft on these charge cards, call the toll-free number on the back of the card and the card number will be placed on a "stop" list issued monthly.

However, Beal points out that since stores are often lax in calling for an authorization or demanding proper identification, a card could be stolen for months without being traced. He suggests credit card insurance would be wise to buy, especially for people who travel.

None of the four department stores contacted in Sikeston offers credit card insurance. Therefore, the consumer must buy his own if he desires insurance on his credit card.

Rob Mitchell, a Mitchell Insurance Agency salesman, said credit card insurance is purchased as part of a homeowner's policy. For people living in apartments, a special rider can be attached to a tenant's homeowner policy for coverage of credit cards.

The cost of credit card insurance is about $2 to $3 a year based on an average tenant's homeowner policy of $4,000, Mitchell said. However, since federal law has set a $50 maximum liability for a cardholder, he saidthis type of insurance is almost defunct for lack of requests.

It is also surprising that the credit card has not diminished in use during the current recessionary period when people normally are reluctant to get into debt.

Of the four stores contacted in Sikeston, all escept one reported an increase in applications for credit cards.

The stores also reported few people have relinquiished their cards in the past year. And when a person does give up a card, it usually is because a husband has been laid off from work or "the husband wants the wife to quit buying on credit" entirely, Charles Baranowski, general manager of TG&Y Family Center said.

The one store that reported a decrease in credit card applications reported an increase in people paying cash for layaways in preference to credit.

Mrs. Struwe said she has not detected any evidences of a recession "because of the amount of purchases made and the number of people in the store."

Tom Thurman, an assistant manager of Big K, a discount department store, says he has noted that customers are using credit more than ever since the recession has been in effect. "They don't have the ready cash and have to go in the hole."

However, it seems many women have refused to dig that hole.

"I seldom use mine. I only do to exchange something. It (the purchase) is credited to your account and you get your money back faster," Marjorie Kirkpatrick of Charleston said.

Joy Gooch, 910 N. Kingshighway, says, "I have more cards than I need. I don't use credit cards much because of the interest stores charge. It is better to pay cash."

Donna Buchanan of Hayti said she gave up her credit cards about two years ago when she "overused them. "You don't think they're real money until the bills come in."

"I very seldom use mine. I just don't like to go into debt and pay carrying charges," Mrs. Ann Stewart of East Prairie said. "I'm expecting a depression like the one in 1917 and the man who is in debt is going to be in trouble," she added.

Marie Eby of Matthews says she uses credit cards only to cash checks.

And Mrs. Burl Moody, Route Two, said simply, "We like to pay as we go."

A few women admitted to stopping or slowing down the use of credit cards because the recessionary economy is affecting their finances.

Margie Riddick of Portageville says she uses credit cards "just when I'm low on money. I don't know how it (state of economy) will be later on with a recession. I think twice before I buy."

"I quit using them (credit cards) because you spend too much money. I had a change of life-style when my husband died and I didn't want to be out any extra money," Verna Cameron of Parma said.

Mrs. Oliver Noyes, 531 E. Gladys St., said she discontinued using credit cards because "we (she and her husband) are on social security. We felt we were better off if we got rid of them."

And Mrs. LaVonda Cameron of Parma said her husband asked her to quit using the credit cards and she "has slacked off using them quite a bit."

Then there are a few who are still willing to use their credit cards.

Mrs. Rose Bartlett of Gideon says she uses her cards for convenience and because "our crop isn't out yet."

"I have all kinds. I don't like to carry money," Mrs. Bette Morgan of Parma said.

From this informal survey, it seems a fitting slogan for credit cards is "Don't use them, abuse them or lose them!

Hospital Notes

MISSOURI DELTA COMMUNITY
Census Report: 12-12-74

Area	Total Beds	Patients	Reserved Emer. Beds.	Gen. Adm. Beds
Med.-Surg.	121	109	6	6
Pediatrics	23	16	0	7
Obstetrics	14	3	0	11
Intensive Care	7	6	0	1

Patients scheduled for admission today: FIVE (5)

MISSOURI DELTA
12-11-74

Released:
Robert S. Finley, Charleston
Carolyn R. Grogan, Charleston
Mallie Middleton, Sikeston
Ella Douglas, East Prairie
Oakley Grubbs, Dexter
Travis Howard, New Madrid
James W. Wheeler, New Madrid
Rachel F. Clark, New Madrid
Bertie O'Neal, Charleeston
Rebecca Presson, Wolf Island
Evelyn Hart, Jackson, Tenn.
Jessie Lee Carroll, Sikeston
Isaac, Baby Girl, New Madrid
Sandra Holden, Morehouse
Jessie Young, Parma
Myrtle Welsh, Sikeston
Virginia McGahey, Sikeston
Mary Roach and baby girl, East Prairie
Suzanne Alsup, Sikeston
Sharon Nall and baby oy, East Prairie
Fred Scallion, Lilbourn
Imogene Culbertson, Sikeston
Norma Davis, New Madrid
Lela Cotrell, Charleston
Shawn Lay, Sikeston
Justin Kellett, Sikeston
Bobbie D. Ford, Sikeston
Total patients discharged: 29
Total patients admitted: 22
Births: 0

ST. FRANCIS

Released:
Mrs. Joyce Ann Holt, Advance.
Mrs. Bertha M. Long, Bloomfield
Mrs. Martha Reeves, Illmo
Mrs. Clara T. Schram, Oran

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

Released:
James Garrett, Bell City.
Mrs. John E. Smith, Kelso

CHAFFEE GENERAL

Admitted:
Marion Harmon, Cape Girardeau
Released:
Robert Dennis, Oran
Lela Green, Lutesville
Hazel Hargrove, Vanduser
David Jackson, Marble Hill
Timothy James, Lutesville
Purve Jones, Fredericktown
Henry Long, Lutesville
Janie Messmer, Chaffee
Dorhty Rhoden, Benton
Charles Craft, Benton

DEXTER MEMORIAL

Admitted:
Ruth Tyra, Sikeston
Melinda Rampley, Bloomfield
Released:
Mary Atchley, Sterling, Colo.
Floyd Anderson, Dexter
Bettra Steward, Sikeston
Teresa Stanberry, Morehouse
Matthew Randell, Dexter
Ruth Capps, Bernie

PEMISCOT MEMORIAL

Admitted:
Naomi Poole, Hayti
Opal Lynn, Caruthersville
Flossie Miller, Hayti
Abner Garmon, Hayti
Lereatha Walton, Portageville
Tina Cook, Portageville
Doris Nolen, Portageville
Ronald Bowlin, Steele
Mattie Barnes, Steele
J. W. Brokden, Chaffee
Released:
Sarah Palmer, Hayti
Willie Hutson, Hayti
Thomas Potts, Hayti
Mable Wabber, Caruthersville
Jan Nichols, Caruthersville
Delia Samuels, Caruthersville
Deb Hollis and baby girl, Caruthersville
Charlotte Adkinson and baby girl, Caruthersville
Faye Walker and baby girl, Caruthersville
Zoveida Coleman, Bragg City
Mary Bryant, Steele
Danny Nelson, New Madrid

Bank clubs offer little, no interest

Millions of people put their money in one of the various Christmas savings clubs offered by some banks each year. The clubs, explains Mrs. Eunice Lieurance, family economics and management specialist for the University of Missouri-Columbia are intended to help people save for Christmas spending.

"They given you something like a certificate, take your money, and often will not let you withdraw from that special account before Christmas. It, therefore, forces you to wait and not spend your money for other purposes."

The trouble, she says, is that the banks rarely pay interest on your money. "If people would use their regular savings accounts, over a certain amount of time they could add to the amount by collecting interest." She says in the few cases where banks do pay interest, it often has been less than current bank interest rates.

Births

CAGLE—Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cagle of Morley are parents of their second child, a daughter born Nov. 21 at Dexter Memorial Hospital. The girl weighed eight pounds two ounces and has been named Terra Leigh.

Mrs. Cagle is the former Linda Faries, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Faries of Canalou. Cagle, a lumber yard foreman at Himmelberger-Harrison Manufacturing Co. at Morehouse, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cagle of Canalou.

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The blouses top off big, swingy skirts or smartly tailored pants that tie at the waist with self sashes or a skinny belt. Skirts and pants are color-coordinated to sweaters and blouses.

Silhouettes are feminine, colors are soft and prints are downright pretty as RT puts the emphasis on real live girls this winter.

Neckline interest catches the eye in coordinated trio (left) of soft print blouse with ascot bow, geometric patterned natural color sweater and big flared skirt from RT. At fight, sleeve treatment captures fashion interest as soft, full-sleeved blouse is worn underneath short elbow-length sweater with new wide sleeves. Coordinated pants have self-tie bow sash at waist.

Ann Landers

Waitress dislikes people taking tips

Dear Ann: Thank you for telling the wife who sneaked the $5 tip her husband left (for a party of six) that she "stole $5 from a woman who worked hard to earn it."

You wouldn't believe how little some waitresses are paid. We depend on our tips to live.

I have seen not only wives, but children grab tips from under plates. And yes, even strangers at nearby tables sometimes help themselves.

Please print this letter, Ann, and tell people who want to reward an efficient, hard-working waitress with a gratuity to please put it in her hand and not leave it on the table. It's the only way to make sure she gets it. -- The World Is A Jungle

Dear World: Here's your letter, but I must level with you, dear. I received a great many letters from women married to cheapskates who felt the wife was perfectly justified in grabbing that fiver. Of course they are wrong, but my answer didn't convince them, and neither will yours. Here's another letter from your "Sisterhood."

Dear Ann Landers: I've been a waitress in lounges and cabarets for several years. One of our worst problems is wives who tell their husbands, when the check comes, "You don't need to leave a tip. The bill is big enough to pay that waitress a good salary."

The bill may be big, but the truth is we AREN'T paid enough to live on. We need those tips to make the rent and groceries. The reason we do waitress work is because we know that if we are courteous and friendly and knock ourselves out, we WILL get good tips.

Another thing, most wives don't realize that many waitresses are divorced (or widowed) and they have young children. Support checks? Forget it. We've given up trying to find the bums or it's too much of a hassle to get a deadbeat ex-husband to pay support.

That dame who wrote to you, Ann, said she needed the $5 she lifted to get some fabric out of lay-away. While she's at home sewing, I'm standing on my feet for eight hours at a stretch trying to make a decent living.

Bunioned Betty

Dear Betty: Thanks for the back-up. Now here's a letter from a wife.

Dear Ann Landers: I saw red when you accused that wife of STEALING that $5 tip left by her husband.

I can't squeeze an extra quarter out of my tightwad, but when "Mr. Big Shot" gets out in public, he just loves to show off by throwing money around.

The whole tipping system is rotten. Restaurants, bars, and cocktail lounges ought to pay their help enough to live on, the same as shops and offices. I work in the lingerie department of a well-known store and nobody tips me for breaking my back trying to squeeze a size 44 rear end into a "medium" girdle. When I get home at night I feel as if I've shoveled a ton of coal. Tell it like it is, kiddo, will you please? -- Tired And Tipless

Dear T. and T.: You did, and I thank you. But until the tipping system is changed, we'll have to go along with it -- and I see no evidence of a change in the making.

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No-bake brownies save holiday time

Carols resound from the TV set; your gift list never seems to get shorter; and you ponder about what to serve youngsters when they drop in during holidays. Also, quick and easy to prepare, eventhe last minute when you've invited practically all the neighborhood youngsters. At such times, traditional brownies are perfect treasures.

This might be the year for you to institute the tradition of the no-bake brownine. After all, it has the dividend of saving time and , there's an intriguing flavor combination in No-Bake Peanut Brownies that's rich, moist and chewy.

Assemble a package of chocolate-flavor baking chips, peanuts, peanut butter and a few other ingredients, including graham cracker crumbs.

Once the chocolate chips are melted with evaporated milk and one half cup of the mixture is set aside, the remainder is combined with the peanuts, peanut butter, crumbs and confectioners sugar and pressed into a well-greased nine- inch square pan. Then, the measured chocolate, set aside earlier, is over to "glaze" the brownie. After chilling, cut into about 32

No-bake Peanut Brownies

1 cup chopped peanuts
4 cups graham cracker crumbs
½ cup unsifted confectioners sugar
¼ cup peanut butter
1 (12 oz. pkg.) chocolate-flavor baking chips
1 cup evaporated milk,
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine nuts, crumbs, confectioners sugar and peanut butter in a large mixing bowl; blend well, set aside.

Heat chocolate and evaporated milk in small saucepan over low heat, stirring constantly until smoothly blended. Remove from heat; add vanilla.

Measure one half cup of the chocolate mixture; set aside. Combine remaining chocolate mixture with crumb mixture.

Spread evenly in a well-greased nine-inch square pan. Spread with measured chocolate mixture to glaze. Chill; cut into bars. Makes 32 bars.

Bars delight kids

Now is the year to institute a true timesaver, the no-bake brownie made with chocolate baking chips, peanuts and peanut butter. These jewels will please children, or pack a batch for your favorite hostess.

Seaweed Garden

The Sargasso Sea, stretching almost halfway across the North Atlantic, is covered for miles with huge patches of seaweed. Slow circular currents tend to keep the seaweed — Sargassum — congregated there.

Births

WARF--Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Paul Warf, 627 Taylor St., are the parents of their first child, a son born at 6:52 a.m. Nov. 18 at Missouri Delta Community Hospital. The boy weighed eight pounds four ounces and has been named Jimmie Paul Jr.

Mrs. Warf is the former Anna Marie Bruno, daughter of Mrs. Francis Riffle Bruno of North Little Rock, Ark. Warf, an insurance salesman for Aetna Insurance Co., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Warf, 808 Courtney Drive.

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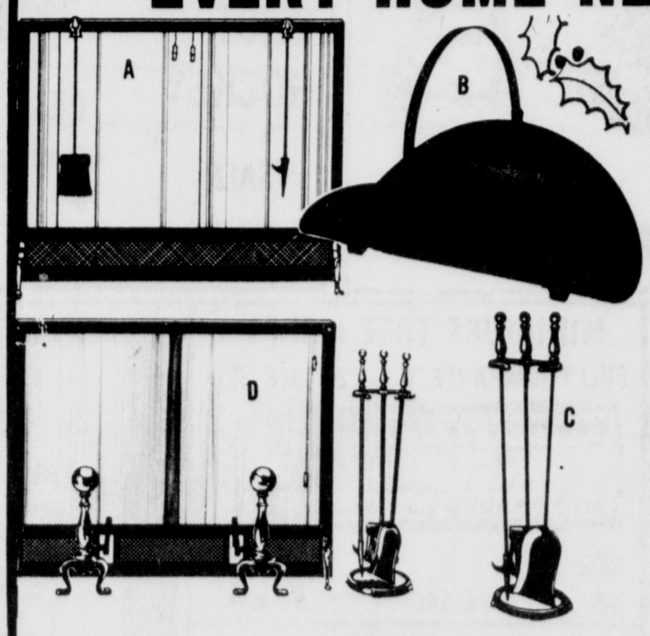

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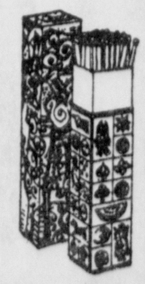

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Oil prices not expected to be raised

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The oil-exporting countries are not expected to raise prices at their two-day meeting that opened in Vienna today. But Iran's oil minister says there will have to be an increase eventually to keep pace with inflation.

"We must uphold the purchasing power of our oil," Jamshid Amouzegar of Iran told newsmen Wednesday night as oil ministers gathered for the session of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Amouzegar said the Shah of Iran, OPEC's leading "price hawk," does not insist on a price rise immediately after Dec. 31, when present prices are subject to revision. But he said the oil exporters eventually will need more revenue to offset the increase in the cost of their imports due to inflation.

The leading "price dove," Saudi Arabia's Sheik Ahmed Zaki Yamani, said "a certain reduction of prices is not excluded." But other sources doubted the meeting would vote any cuts.

Yamani said energy conservation by the oil-consuming nations to reduce their imports would not bring the price down.

"There is no alternative to holding a meaningful dialogue with us," he declared.

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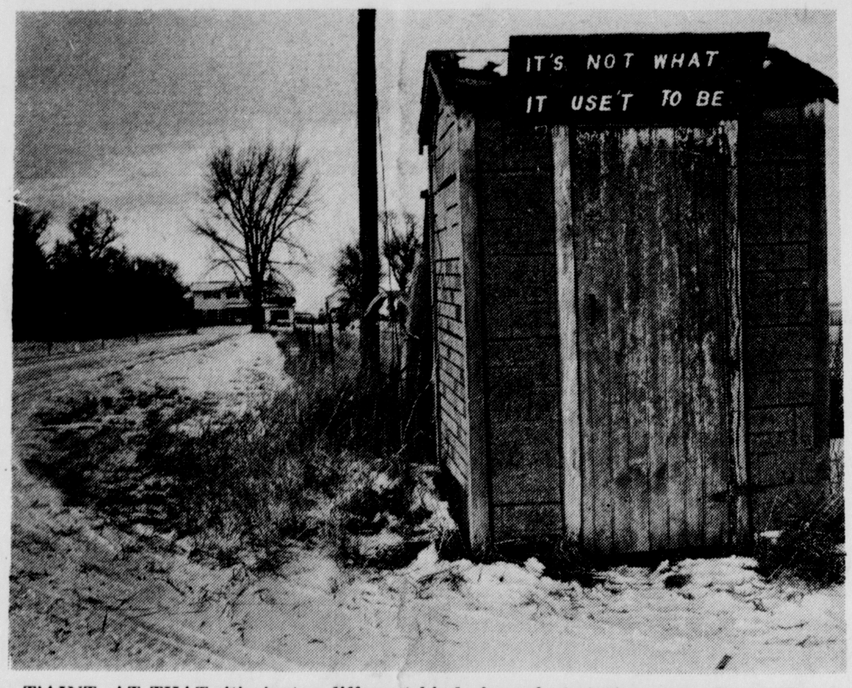

T'AINT, AT THAT, it's just a different kind of comfort station at the James Toyne home near rural Milnor, N.D. Toyne's brother-in-law in Fergus Falls, Minn., wanted to get rid of this old outhouse, so Toyne set it up for his three children to wait in for the school bus during subzero weather. That's the Toyne home a quarter-mile back there. Barbara LaValleur of the Daily News (Breckenridge, Minn., and Wahpeton, N.D.) made the photo.

Christmas Seals work for health

More than 300,000 Americans will learn that they have emphysema, and more than 21,000 will die from the disabling lung disease during 1974, according to Joseph C. Wotawa, President, American Lung Association of Eastern Missouri.

Wotawa offered these other New Year predictions for the nation's health released by the American Lung Association, nationwide headquarters for the local Christmas Seal Association.

+ The taxpayers' bill for disability benefits for emphysema and other chronic respiratory disease will total more than $400,000,000.

+ More than 8,000 newborn infants will die of respiratory distress syndrome, including hyaline membrane disease.

+ More than 246,000,000 acute respiratory diseases will be reported to physicians, an average of 1.2 per American for the year. These diseases will cause U.S. employers to lose more than 135,000,000 work-days.

+ Breathing of 1,500,000 Americans will be crippled by emphysema, of 6,500,000 by chronic bronchitis and of more than 6,000,000 by chronic asthma.

+ About 29,000,000 Americans will begin taking daily doses of anti-TB medicines, because they have new, active cases of TB. Fortunately, most of these TB patients will be cured without hospitalization. They will have to visit an out-patient clinic regularly. And, they won't be able to skip their pills for even one day, without jeopardizing their treatment.

+ More than 200 million tons of pollutants in the form of waste gases and particles will be dumped into the air to threaten humans and animals and damage vegetation and buildings.

+ About 300,000 persons will die from causes related to smoking and an estimated one million teenagers will take up the habit in 1975.

"These high tolls in illness and health must be reduced," Wotawa said. "Each of us can help by supporting the work of the American Lung Association of Eastern Missouri. If you haven't answered your Christmas Seal letter, it's not too late. If you want to 'beat the numbers' and make 1975 a healthier year, an additional contribution will help the Christmas Seal association expand its year-round fight for life and breath."

Ambassador says accusations could be good for U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — U.S. Ambassador John A. Scali says the bitter replies provoked by his speech last week accusing the General Assembly of falling under a "tyranny of the majority" could prove healthy for the United Nations.

Delegates from 21 countries spoke Wednesday, most of them challenging Scali's assertions. But some agreed with the U.S. view that the United Nations is in a crisis. The debate continues today.

India and Indonesia, two of the most populous countries of the Third World bloc dominating the 138-member assembly, were among Wednesday's speakers.

While defending the Asian-African majority, Indian Ambassador Rikhi Jaipal said his country's first priority is to "overcome the present crisis of confidence in the United Nations."

He said he hoped Western nations would try to understand the frustrations of the majority and their need to attain basic living standards.

Indonesia's Chaidar Anwar Sani said his country welcomed the chance to clear the air with a frank exchange of views. He said it would be well for the Third World majority to ponder the anxieties of the minority.

However, Cuba's Ricardo Alarcon referred to Dec. 6, when Scali made his speech, as the date when forces of colonialism and racism "attempted to make a declaration of war."

Traditional U.S. allies such as Britain, France, West Germany and Belgium have sided with Scali.

Scali later told a reporter that he may address the assembly again because some of the speeches, although critical of his position, provided the basis for a dialogue on problems of the performance and credibility of the world organization.

"I hope we can concentrate more on meaninful dialogue than on oratory. Some delegates apparently are ready to do so," he said in a statement.

Scali and Congress have been particularly irked by the reception the General Assembly accorded the Palestine Liberation Organization last month, its exclusion of South Africa from debate and the limiting of Israel's right to speak in the Palestine debate.

Rejection threatens to reclose mines

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The rejection of a new contract for 4,500 mine construction workers threatened to shut down many of the nation's coal mines today, partially renewing a walkout that idled most of the industry for nearly a month.

The United Mine Workers 38-member bargaining council, after meeting in Washington Wednesday night, sent the tentative accord back for further negotiations with the Association of Bituminous Contractors.

Union negotiators said immediatly after hearing of the council's action that they would seek a meeting with representatives of the contractors association as soon as possible.

The contract for the ABC employes was similar to the settlement ratified last week by the union's 120,000 miner members. The miners contract provided for a 64 per cent hike in wages and benefits over three years.

But union negotiators were unsuccessful in obtaining additional unemployment benefits and travel pay wanted by the construction workers, who are subject to more frequent layoffs and often have to move around from one mine construction site to another.

Picketing by the workers kept 24,000 miners home and prevented many mines from reopening as scheduled on Monday. However, most of the picket lines started coming down slowly after tentative agreement on the ABC pact was reached early Tuesday.

"We are hopeful that there will be no picketing of the coal mines by ABC workers," a union spokesman said after hearing of the bargaining council's action Wednesday night. "It would not strengthen their negotiation position at all."

House approves extension to aid cut off

WASHINGTON (AP) — A battle in Congress over cutting off foreign aid to Turkey has been set in motion by House approval of a foreign aid bill that extends the present moratorium until June 30.

The cutoff extension was approved Wednesday night by an overwhelming 297 to 98 vote, indicating the House will resist a Senate-passed delay on the cutoff until Feb. 14.

The $2.6 billion foreign aid bill passed on a 201 to 190 vote.

President Ford has opposed the cutoff but his congressional supporters offered little resistance to it. They said they will try to win agreement for the delay when House and Senate conferees work out a compromise with a $2.7 billion foreign aid bill passed by the Senate.

All U.S. aid to Turkey was cut off at midnight Tuesday under previous action by Congress until "substantial progress" is made on negotiating withdrawal of Turkish troops from Cyprus. That cutoff expires when Congress adjourns next week, and the House bill would reimpose it.

The administration had asked Congress to postpone the cutoff so it could seek negotiations on the troop pullout.

The House bill also trimmed Ford's $578 million request for Cambodia to $377 million, including a maximum of $200 million for military aid. At the same time the administration accepted a compromise to cut military aid to South Korea by $20 million until Ford can report that President Park Chung Hee is loosening restrictive policies.

FUN AND GAMES IN 1982

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Kenya, Africa's leading track and field nation, is making a firm bid to stage the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Nairobi.

Isaac Lugonzo, chairman of the decision-making Kenya National Sports Council, said the Kenya Olympic Association had been entrusted with the advance work in connection with the Kenyan offer.

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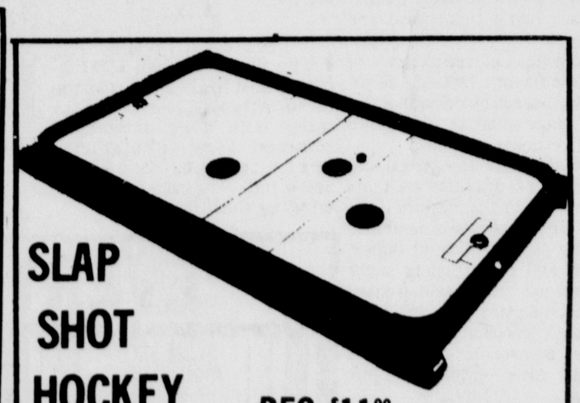

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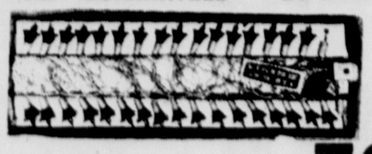

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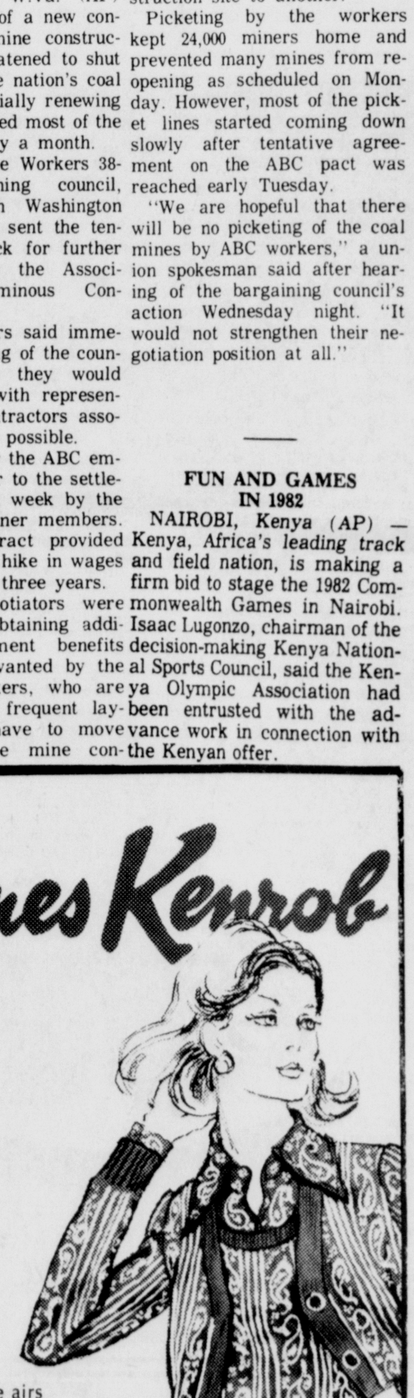

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PROBATE COURT

BENTON — Nine cases came before Judge John Sides in Probate Court last week.

Mary Frances Bain, deceased: inventory filed and recorded.

Mary Bain, executrix of estate, presented inventory and appraisement, which was examined, approved and ordered filed and recorded.

Minnie Jane Yount, deceased: final settlement approved.

John Henry Yount Jr., executor of estate, filed final settlement on Nov. 11; court approved and ordered distribution made.

Minnie Jane Yount, deceased: finding and order discharging executor.

John Henry Yount Jr., executor of estate, was ordered discharged.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed and allowed.

Ira Wright Jr. presented claim of $93.43 against the estate, which the court allowed plus interest.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed and allowed.

Bob Seabaugh, president of Rickett's Lumber Co., Inc., presented claim against the estate for $403.70, which the court allowed plus interest.

Glen Slayton, deceased: finding and order discharging administrator.

John W. Marshall, administrator of estate, was ordered discharged.

Joseph Allen Engram, deceased: order to sell personal property.

Court ordered John Engram, administrator of estate, to sell the property of the deceased at most advantageous terms possible for cash.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed.

James A. Foeste and Mildred Foeste presented claim of $9,819.35 against the estate, which the court examined, approved and ordered filed and recorded.

James Leland Lowery, deceased: demand filed.

Dr. Urban L. Kramer Jr. presented a claim of $13.90 against the estate, which was examined, approved and ordered filed and recorded.

CIRCUIT COURT

BENTON — Three civil cases have been settled in Scott County Circuit Court before Judge Marshall Craig.

In a jury trial, Lanny Lannom was awarded $3,000 in damages from Kenneth Eugene Schiwitz in a suit resulting from a traffic accident on Sept. 19, 1973. Lannom claimed the accident happened as a result of Schiwitz' careless and imprudent driving and has sought $20,000 in damages.

The court found Harold Poole of Sikeston indebted to Forbis Supply House, Inc. an amount of $6,014.63, and awarded the company that amount p lus $270.63 interest.

Daryll B. Henke was awarded $543 interest on a $5,113 judgment against Marvin Henke in Madison County, Ill., on Feb. 15, 1973 for back child support.

ARRESTS

Henry C. Speakman, 110 Second St., careless and imprudent driving.

Paul D. Phillips of Louisiana, Mo., driving while intoxicated, leaving the scene of an accident and driving without a license.

EMERGENCY PATIENTS

Treated and released Wednesday in the emergency room at Missouri Delta Community Hospital were:

Everett R. Breuer, 45, Stoutland, sprained left shoulder in ca car accident; Jack Vincent, 31, Malden, multiple injuries in car accident; John Gremillion, 26, Houston, Tex., injured in car accident; Robert G. Meeks, 34, Charleston, injured back at work; Donald Robinson, 13, Matthews, sprained left knee in fall at school; Ray Dodd, 3, New Madrid, fell and cut chin; and Lawrence Kinsey, 49, Sikeston, bruised left knee in car accident.

GRAIN

CHICAGO (AP) — Wheat and soybean futures prices were relatively strong in early dealings on the Chicago Board of Trade today, while corn and oats were uneven.

On the opening, soybeans were 2 to 5 cents a bushel higher, January 7.33; Chicago wheat was 2 to 6 higher, December 4.68; Gulf hard red wheat was not traded; corn was 1 lower to 1½ higher, December 3.59 and oats were ¼ lower to ¼ higher, December 1.84½.

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New England Elect	13
Occidental Pet	12⅞
WalMart Stores	8

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5 MOST ACTIVE

The Dow Jones Industrial Averages at noon were up 4.62 on a volume of 7.66 million shares.

NYSE MOST ACTIVES:

Sony	4¾	Stdy
RCA	10	+¼
BF Saul Inv	3	-⅜
Stride Rite	6½	-⅛
GM	32	+1

LISTED STOCKS

Am Tele.	44
Butler Natl	⅞
Anheuser Busch	26¾
Cooper Tire	5⅝
Evans Prod.	2¼
Gelco	5⅜
Ford	33¼
Manchester Life	1⅜
Gen. Mtrs	32
Interco	18⅛
Malone ⅞ Hyde	17¼
Mid Am. Great Plains	not trading
Noranda Mines	29¼
Pizza Inns	2¾
R. J. Reynolds	51
Redman	1½
Rival Mfg.	15¾
St. Joe Mineral	34⅜
Texaco	21⅝
TransAmerica	5⅞
Wetterau Foods	11

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MAGISTRATE COURT

BENTON---Thirty four cases came before Judge Lloyd Briggs in Scott County Magistrate Court Wednesday.

Robert Blackman, charged with the murder in the death of Julie Lee Thompson on Nov. 28 at Haywood City, was bound over to appear in Circuit Court on Dec. 26 and bond was set at $5,000.

James Dodd, Oran, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, $150 fine, 90-day suspended jail sentence and one year on probation.

Glenn Avery, Scott City, helping Elmer Penrose Jr. to escape from the county jail on Nov. 20, six-month jail sentence.

Stanton Dale Vaughn, Morley, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, imposition of sentence stayed for one year, placed under supervision of probation and parole officer, to reappear on Dec. 10, 1975.

Larry Brant, Scott City, assault on James Bryan Cox on Nov. 1, pleaded guilty, $25 fine, 30-day jail sentence and placed on one-year probation.

Donald Gene Chamberlain, Lilbourn, failure to make a complete and proper vehicle inspection, pleaded guilty, $25 fine.

Vicki Josie Allen, Chaffee, improper registration, pleaded guilty, $25 fine.

Woodrow Wilson Lewis, Chaffee, driving without license, pleaded guilty, $10 fine.

John Walter Moss, Scott City, driving without a license, pleaded guilty, $10 fine.

Paula Jean Harris, Chaffee, driving without a license, pleaded guilty, fined $5.

Vernon Houston McDermott, East Prairie, improper registration, trial set for Jan. 15, 1975.

Danny Ray Barker, forging a check on Oct. 2, attorney appointed by court.

Darrell Dean Adams, assault on Shari Lyn Kelly on Dec. 4, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 18.

Eddie Brant, assaulting Scott City Police officer Thomas E. Knupp on Dec. 2, continued to Dec. 18.

Larry Berry, Oct. 18, stealing $70 in quarters and half dollars and over $50 worth of meat from Emil E. Fuhrmann on Oct. 18, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 18.

Willie Gene Harris, Cape Girardeau, assaulting Trooper H.R. Harris on Nov. 17, passed until further order.

Terry D. Gunter, stealing in excess of $50 from Al Glastetter on Nov. 27, continued due to defendant being in hospital.

Debbie Wicker, helping Elmer Penrose Jr. to escape from county jail on Nov. 20, passed to Dec. 18.

Elmer Penrose Jr., breaking out of county jail on Nov. 20, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 18.

Karen Sue Sherman, Sikeston, speeding, written plea, $14 fine.

Clarence Lee Shirrell, Cape Girardeau, speeding, written plea, $30.50 fine.

Ozie Lee Payne, St. Louis, speeding, written plea, $100 fine.

Carol Lee Donaldson, Burlington, Iowa, speeding, written plea, $16.

David Lynn Cupples, Pinson, Tenn., speeding, written plea, $110 fine.

Theora Sue Richardson, Bell City Route One, speeding, written plea, $12 fine.

Ellen Hyde, St. Louis, speeding, written plea, $15 fine.

Ted Leroy McKinney, St. Louis, speeding, written plea, $17 fine.

Albert Thomas, speeding, written plea, $40 fine.

John Willard Proffer, Cape Girardeau, speeding, written plea, $13 fine.

Cerfue Cullen Reed, Pine Lawn, speeding, written plea, $45 fine.

Joyce Ann Fair, Charleston, speeding, written plea, $16 fine.

Robert L. Elledge, Cape Girardeau, speeding, written plea, $13 fine.

Hubert James Barks, Scott City, speeding, written plea, $14 fine.

Frankie Dale Hutson, Chaffee Route Two, failure to drive on right side of road, pleaded guilty, $5 fine.

RIVER STAGES

MISSISSIPPI

	Flood	Now	Ch.
Chester	27	9.4	-1.1
Cape Girardeau	32	16.5	-.5
New Madrid	34	19.2	+.5
Caruthersville	32	19.7	+.2

FORECAST

At Chester the river will rise .1 Friday; fall .3 Saturday; and fall .1 Sunday.

At Cape Girardeau the river will fall 1.0 Friday; rise .2 Saturday; and fall .4 Sunday.

At New Madrid the river will rise .2 Friday; remain steady Saturday; and rise .3 Sunday.

At Caruthersville the river will rise .5 Friday; rise .8 Saturday; and remain steady Sunday.

OHIO

	Flood	Now	Ch.
Golconda	40	25.5	+.8
Paducah	39	22.6	+.5
Grand Chain	42	29.3	+.6
Cairo	40	28.3	+.9

FORECAST

At Golconda the river will rise .5 Friday; rise 1.3 Saturday; and rise 1.0 Sunday.

At Paducah the river will rise 1.6 Friday; rise .6 Saturday; and rise 1.3 Sunday.

At Grand Chain no forecast was available.

At Cairo the river will remain steady Friday; rise .3 Saturday; and rise .8 Sunday.

Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl who is almost four years old. For Christmas this year I would like some dollies, Digger the dog, a radio, a close and play phonograph, some stuffed animals, and anything else that you want to bring to me.

I have a new little sister this year who is only 3 weeks old named Terra Leigh. Please bring a few little toys, too.

I will leave you some cookies and milk for you by the Christmas tree.

I love you, Santa
Paulette Lynn Cagle
Morley, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Lewis F. Hux, III, but all my friends call me Derick. I am almost 4 years old. My mom says I am busy as a beaver and I talk too much, but otherwise I'm a pretty good boy. For Christmas I would like a Tonka dump truck, a see and say alphabet toy, a play school, tinkertoys, and a close and play phonograph. Don't forget my Grandma and PaPa Townsend and my Grandma and Grandpa Toppy Hux.

Love
Derick Hux
Dexter, Mo.

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PRESIDENTIAL APPEARANCES at GOP fund-raising benefits for local candidates throughout the Midwest have not attracted the crowds expected. President Ford's appearance at a $500-a-plate dinner drew over 5,200 Republicans in Indianapolis but audiences at subsequent appearances have been sparse.

Dear Santa,

Our names are Tara and Kelly Greer. We are 3 and 5 years old. We have tried to be real good little girls this year.

For Christmas we would like a new red maxi-dress, some slacksuits, a doll, a view-master, a set of intercom telephones, a cash register, a close and play record player, some records, some puzzles and what ever else you want to bring to us. Please send 2 of everything except the record player.

Don't forget all the other little kids especially all of our cousins.

There will be milk and cookies under the tree for you.

We love you,
Kelly & Tara Greer
Morehouse

Dear Santa,

My name is Paula Tackett, and I am 3 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl this year.

For Christmas I would like a baby doll, a set of dishes, a sled, some new P.J.s, and some new clothes.

Please don't forget my brother Nicky. He is 7 years old. He wants a pair of cowboy boots, some gloves, cap-gun set, and an Evil Knevial.

Also, please don't for get my other brother Mikie, he wants a new Cub Scout Suit, and an Evil Knievial, some gloves, and some new clothes.

Don't forget my other two brothers, and my big sister.

There will be cookies and a coke under the tree.

Love
Paula Tackett

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The oil-exporting countries are not expected to raise prices at their two-day meeting that opened in Vienna today. But Iran's oil minister says there will have to be an increase eventually to keep pace

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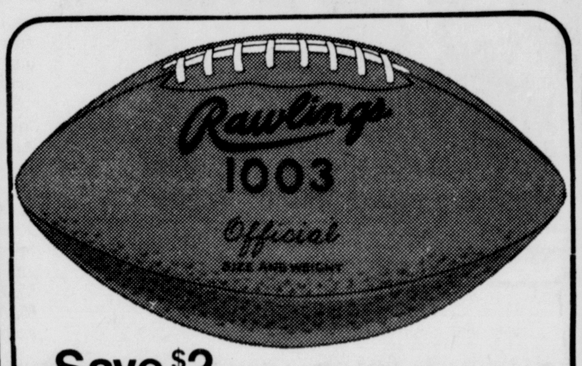

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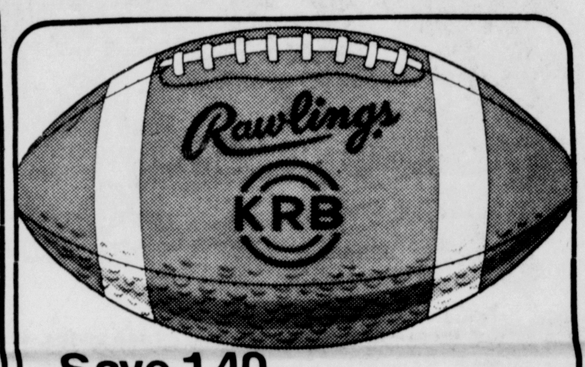

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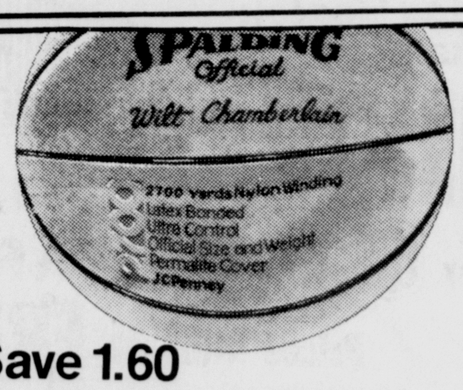

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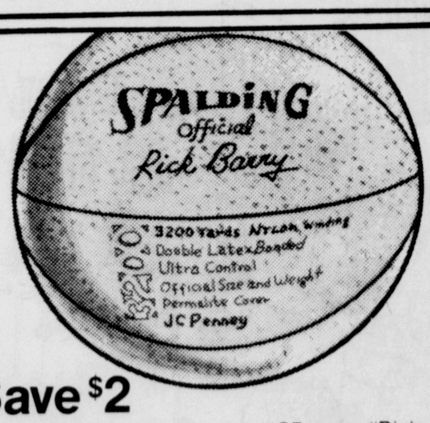

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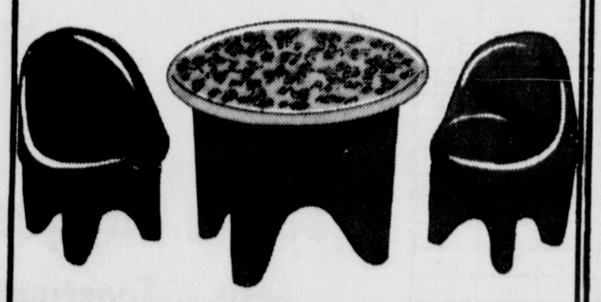
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Tom Tiede

Auto(psy) on the dying car industry

By Tom Tiede

NEWARK, Del. — (NEA) — "You can't get drunk in the afternoon," one of them says, and so each day the workless members of the United Auto Workers Local 1183 cluster in the lobby of the union office to contemplate their lousy fates.

Approximately 3,400 of them have been furloughed from the Chrysler plant here, "just in time for Christmas." They sit on chairs, lean against walls, group in the corners. Some men cling to the hands of their small children, others are dressed for the movies, one is trying to get action on a football card.

"Dadrat the public!" A black man grumbles. He says it for the rest. "I got this neighbor who for 2000 years has been buying a new car every two years — until this year. This year, he says, he's cutting back. I tell him, 'man, what you're cutting back is my grocery money,' but it don't do no good. He's got his mind made up. No new car. And you want to know something? I can't really blame him, new cars just ain't worth it anymore."

Indeed, new cars ain't worth it anymore, a fact that seems abundantly clear to the people who buy cars, the people who make cars — everybody, in fact, except the people who sell cars.

Chrysler, for one, has in recent weeks had as many as 50,000 unsold vehicles parked around the nation and its share of the auto market has fallen from the 13 to 16 per cent average of recent years to a current low of less than 12. But when the company tries to explain the dilemma it talks about complex vagaries rather than simple realities. The fact is, as many members of UAW Local 1183 agree, cars are not selling as brother Floyd Green says, "Mostly because they cost too much."

Green can testify from both ends of the issue. As an automobile assembler, he says the quality of the hulks he puts together has no relationship to their price in the showrooms. And, on the other hand, as an automobile user thus buyer, he says the high money investment has no relationship to sound, justifiable consumer economics.

Last year, for example, Green bought a 1974 Chrysler Newport for a staggering $5200. Financing it added a $1000 more to the total. When he drove it out of the sales lot, however, the auto's worth immediately depreciated by several hundred dollars and has continued that trend since. "I've had it just about a year now," Green sighs, "And if I was lucky I could get maybe $15 to $1600 in trade."

The extraordinary economic absurdity of automobile ownership is of course familiar to all. And as of late, with skyrocketing prices, it has become a joke many can do without. The average cost of automobiles has risen from $700 to $1000 in the last few months. Ford Motor Company alone has increased its car prices an average 10 per cent since September.

A teensy AMC Gremlin, laughingly called an "economy vehicle", is now selling at more than $3000. Add to this the cost of financing (10 per cent minimum) and depreciation (new Buicks will be worth as little as one fourth their current price next December) and the blame for auto no sales is obvious: People are not totally stupid.

The fact is that with the exception of perishable items, no investment in America is as economically weak as that for automobiles. A home purchase can increase a buyer's original outlay, a new boat can often be resold for at least the purchase price, even a used bicycle is not a complete giveaway. But cars?

Sighs Green: "You can't beat the game. You can't stay even in the game. All you do is lose so now increasing numbers of Americans are refusing to play the automobile game at all, at least temporarily."

And whereas this says something for enlightened common sense, it also takes a toll. About 80,000 Chrysler employees are already laid off in the nation and the workless here expect more to follow. Explains one: "I was at a Plymouth dealer last week and I asked how much this yellow Valiant was. The salesman said $5,000? He said, 'yes, it's fully equipped.' Jeez, can you beat it? $5,000 for a Valiant. If that keeps up, there ain't none of us is ever going back on the line."

Spokesman says gas measure would cut into state budgets

WASHINGTON (AP) — A spokesman for the nation's governors says any federal move to reduce gasoline sales should include some way for the states to recoup lost gasoline tax revenues.

Ed Rovner, director of an energy project for the National Governors' Conference, told the final session of public hearings on energy policy Wednesday that gasoline conservation, which the administration is considering, would cut deeply into state budgets.

Rovner said the administration should provide some way to replace those funds. He said ways of doing this would include reducing the matching funds states must provide for federal aid to highway construction and by allowing them to collect increased state gasoline taxes in lieu of any federal gasoline tax increases.

Rovner said the governors want national leadership in establishing energy policies, but not federal programs to carry them out. Implementation should be left to the states where possible, he said.

Other state and local officials joined Rovner in urging energy conservation measures plus greater attention to new energy sources.

San Francisco Mayor Joseph L. Alioto urged the administration to reduce oil imports over six years from more than 30 per cent of total U.S. oil supply to around 10 per cent.

Mayor Neil Goldschmidt of Portland, Ore., representing the National League of Cities, said federal energy regulation is needed to prevent the development of regional rivalries over fuel supplies and environmental protection.

Wednesday was the final day of public hearings on the complex energy issues which now must be sorted out and developed into specific recommendations for the President and Congress.

That process begins in earnest next Saturday when federal energy officials seclude themselves for the weekend at Camp David, the presidential retreat in Maryland's Catoctin Mountains.

Erlichman says Nixon deceived him

WASHINGTON (AP) — John D. Ehrlichman, once among the staunchest Nixon loyalists, says he now realizes Richard M. Nixon deceived him at least four times about Watergate.

"In at least four major instances, the impressions given me by the former president were false," Ehrlichman told the Watergate cover-up trial on Wednesday. "I think there is an ample showing in this record I was deceived."

It was the sharpest public break Ehrlichman has made with the man he served for five years in the White House.

It came late in a day of intense cross-examination by chief prosecutor James F. Neal, who repeatedly pressed the former Nixon aide to explain why he didn't tell investigators what he knew about Watergate, if, as he says, he consistently advocated full disclosure.

Ehrlichman was the last of three top-level Nixon advisers to present his defense in the cover-up case. Former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell and ex-White House staff chief H.R. Haldeman also have testified.

Former Assistant Atty. Gen. Robert C. Mardian was scheduled to follow Ehrlichman on the witness stand. The fifth defendant is Kenneth W. Parkinson, former lawyer for the Nixon re-election committee.

All five are charged with conspiring to obstruct the investigation of the Watergate break-in.

The cornerstone of Ehrlichman's defense was summed up in his lawyer's opening statement when he said Ehrlichman had been "misled, deceived and lied to" by Nixon.

But despite the harsh words from his lawyer early in the trial, Ehrlichman's recollection of Nixon was more sorrowful than bitter or angry.

On Tuesday, he wept as he recalled the meeting on April 29, 1973, when Nixon asked for his resignation.

But there were no tears Wednesday as Ehrlichman, in a matter-of-fact manner, ticked off the dates on which he said he was misled: June 23, 1972; March 21, 1973; Jan. 8, 1973; March 22, 1973.

2 bills sent to Ford

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress has sent President Ford a bill sharply increasing penalties for antitrust violations and legislation giving home buyers more protection against high-cost settlement fees.

Both measures won final approval in the House Wednesday.

The antitrust bill would stiffen the maximum fine for violations from its present level of $50,000 to $100,000 for individuals and $1 million for corporations. Imprisonment would be for up to five years.

The home buyer protection bill directs the Department of Housing and Urban Development to prepare a standard form for settlement charges in residential mortgage transactions to minimize confusion. It also retains authority for the department to regulate settlement costs for government-backed mortgages.

The bill imposed several prohibitions to abolish practices which have hampered consumers seeking the cheapest yet best settlement on house transactions.

It would be illegal, for instance, for lawyers or realtors to give or receive kickbacks for referring settlement service business to anyone. It also would be illegal for a seller to require a homebuyer to purchase title insurance from a specific company as a condition of sale.

In other action Wednesday, the Senate passed a bill to extend federal jurisdiction over fishing from 12 to 100 miles offshore. The measure, designed to protect endangered species of food fish from overfishing from foreign vessels, would give U.S. fishermen priority with the 200-mile zone.

The new limit would expire upon completion of a multination agreement on the law of the sea.

The bill goes to the House, where no action is expected this year. It is opposed by the State and Defense Departments.

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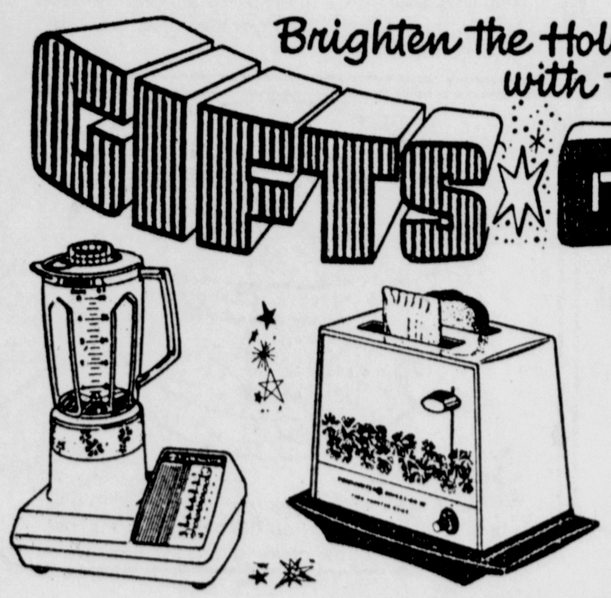

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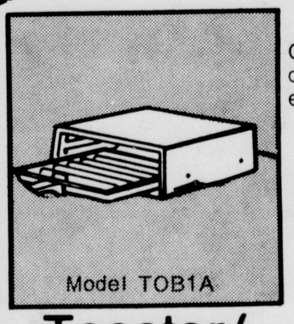

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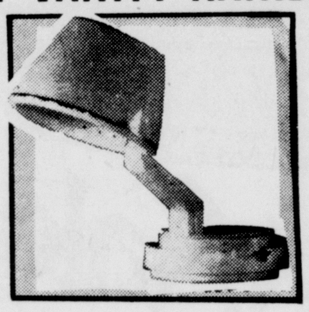

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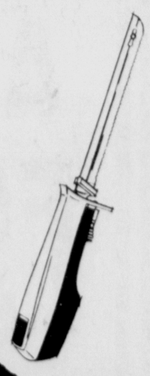

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Henderson charged in income tax evasion

NEW YORK (AP) — Conductor Skitch Henderson faces up to three years in prison and a $5,000 fine after a federal jury found him guilty of filing a false income tax return.

He had been charged with evading more than $40,000 in federal income taxes.

The jury resumes deliberations today on two other tax jpnoo03inst the conductor — an attempted tax evasion count and a second false filing count.

The 56-year-old former musical director of NBC-TV's "Tonight Show" reacted impassively to the guilty verdict in U.S. District Court Wednesday night.

The jury acquitted Henderson of one of two attempted tax evasion counts and of obstruction of justice.

Rotary installs member

Sikeston Rotarian Bill Baker, left, presents new member Arnold Stone a copy of the Rotary Four-Way Test during installation ceremonies Monday night. Stone has been a long-standing Rotarian in the Morley Club and recently served as the club's president. Also, plans were completed for the Sikeston club's annual Christmas party to be held at 6 p.m. Monday, and the club will be host to Rotarians and their wives from the Chaffee, Morley, Bell City, Dexter, Delta, New Madrid and Malden Rotary Clubs.

Angered cattlemen to stage beef-in

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cattlemen disgruntled over low prices for their beef are driving 50 head of cattle to Agriculture Secretary Earl L. Butz's doorstep.

In the last part of a "beef-in" that left Bison, S.D., late last week, the cattlemen planned to bring the cows by truck today to a makeshift pen just outside Butz's office.

Butz agreed Tuesday to meet with representatives of the South Dakota and Montana cattlemen, who are sponsoring the cattle drive, and the Consumer Federation of America.

The group plans to offer to present Butz with 10 of the cattle and have the rest slaughtered by union butchers for Christmas distribution to Washington's poor.

Whether Butz would accept the steers was unresolved, an Agriculture Department spokesman said.

The protesters scheduled a noon rally to explain the economic squeeze brought on by declining livestock prices and higher production costs.

Burmese capital quiet after seizure of U Thant's body

By FREDERICK C. GRAY
Associated Press Writer

Rangoon was reported quiet today as troops enforced martial law, but an American embassy official said casualties in street fighting Wednesday were heavy and thousands were jailed.

Protests by students, workers and Buddhist monks in the Burmese capital erupted after the army's seizure early Wednesday of the body of former United Nations Secretary-General U Thant.

It was one of the strongest challenges to President Ne Win since he seized power in 1962. But Edward D. Franco, the information officer at the U.S. embassy, said in a telephone interview that the opposition to the government was not ideological, it was due to rising prices and widespread economic hardship.

Martial law was declared Wednesday afternoon after students and workers roamed the streets of Rangoon setting fire to police stations and other public buildings.

The government radio said one person was killed and three were injured. But Franco said this count was "way too low."

"We get reports many more were killed. Hospitals are filling up rapidly with wounded," he said.

He said there had been thousands of arrests, and "the military has been very heavy handed.

"Massive numbers of troops are in the city, surrounding all government buildings and patrolling the streets in convoys of trucks. They continue to surround the university and the new U Thant tomb by the Shwedagon Pagoda in the center of the city.

"The people have no arms."

News censorship was in effect, and the government was restricting the entry of foreign newsmen to the country.

U Thant, a political foe of Ne Win, died in New York on Nov. 25. A huge crowd of students and Buddhist monks seized his coffin from the funeral procession last Thursday, charging that the government was not paying him suitable homage, and interred it Sunday in a brick tomb on the Rangoon University campus.

Ne Win sent the army into the campus to recover the body after crowds flocked to the campus to pay homage at the tomb.

While Thant's body was hurriedly placed in a new tomb near the Shwedagon, the country's holiest shrine, "troops made repeated sweeps through the campus, arresting students who were trying to hide in the university buildings," Franco reported.

"Crowds of people started appearing, roaming the city of Rangoon, burning public buildings.

"Contrary to official reports, I saw no private looting. Public buildings, especially police stations, were the targets. There was a big fire at the government construction corporation, and small arms fire could be heard around the city.

"A special civil authority was established in Rangoon Wednesday morning, but at the request of the city government martial law was imposed at 4 p.m. and a 6 p.m.-to-6 a.m. curfew was imposed on the city.

"Last night was very quiet, and this morning is also very quiet. I saw no demonstrations, no public gatherings."

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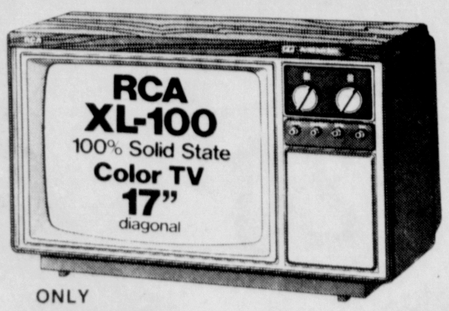

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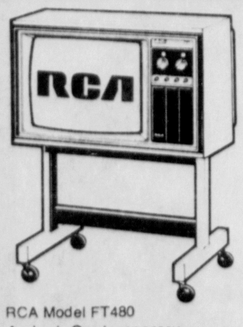

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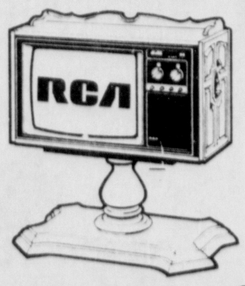

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford plans to nominate Atty. Gen. William B. Saxbe as ambassador to India and is looking for a new attorney general, reliable sources say.

"I'll soon be leaving," Saxbe told friends in Ohio Wednesday night. But he told reporters any announcement must come from the White House.

Administration sources and associates of Saxbe in his native Ohio said Saxbe has agreed to accept the ambassadorship.

The White House was expected to announce the choice of Saxbe to replace Daniel Patrick Moynihan as soon as the Indian government expresses approval, probably by the end of the week.

Saxbe was said to be well-acquainted with Indian officials because of several trips there since 1971.

The move would put the Justice Department in the hands of the fifth attorney general in as many years.

Ford has been under pressure from some members of Congress and other groups to rid the Cabinet of all the holdovers from the administration of former President Richard M. Nixon. No Cabinet members have left since Ford took office.

Saxbe was Nixon's fourth and last nominee for attorney general and was sworn into office last Jan. 4.

The former Ohio senator has figured prominently in weeks-long speculation about an impending Cabinet shakeup, even though he was never considered a Nixon loyalist and he maintained his independence from the White House during Nixon's final months in office.

But Saxbe was widely criticized for blunders during his first four months at the Justice Department. Always outspoken, he stirred the greatest criticism when he labeled kidnaped heiress Patricia Hearst "a common criminal" before she had been charged with a crime.

Since that remark last April 17, Saxbe generally has kept his personal opinions to himself.

Saxbe had announced his retirement from the Senate after one term when Nixon picked him as attorney general following the "Saturday night massacre" when Elliot L. Richardson and William D. Ruckelshaus resigned as the two top Justice Department officials.

They quit to protest Nixon's attempt to fire the special Watergate prosecutor.

The Wall Street Journal reported recently that Ford is considering as Saxbe's replacement John Robson.

WOTTA MESS was the result of the heaviest day of trading on the New York Stock Exchange earlier this month. With traders and investors flooding the market exchanging 26,360 shares that day, maintenance crews found themselves facing a whopping clean-up.

Grayson says price controls re-establishment probable

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The former price commission chairman for President Nixon says re-establishment of price controls looks like the politically expedient step and the odds of it being taken are 60-70 per cent favorable.

However, "it only buys short-term gain for long-term pain," said C. Jackson Grayson Jr., dean of the business school at Southern Methodist University. When controls are removed, prices would bulge again, just as they did after the Nixon program, he said.

Grayson spoke Wednesday at the annual meeting of Farmland Industries here.

Grayson, who headed the price-control side of the Nixon program's Phase II from late 1971 to early 1973, said wage-price controls are not needed to curb inflation, that recession is curbing inflation unassisted. He said he favors a free-market solution to price problems and projected inflation next year—without controls—at 8 per cent, compared with the 11-12 per cent rate this year.

He pointed to polls that indicate 60 per cent of the citizenry favor wage-price controls. Then he pointed to the program endorsed by Democrats last week at their midterm convention here featuring across-the-board action. Grayson labeled that a dramatic political step designed to assuage the public.

But controls can result in decreased productivity and result in shortages and black markets, he said.

Male students at the University of Washington have requested hair dryers be placed in locker rooms.

Reward offered in ritualistic cattle slayings

DENVER (AP)—The American Humane Association has offered a $500 reward in connection with suspected cult slayings of cattle in the western United States.

Law enforcement officers believe cults are involved in the bizarre slayings, which have been reported in Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and Minnesota.

The animals' sex organs are generally mutilated or removed, according to officials. In an incident near Wray, Colo., two weeks ago, Yuma County Sheriff Gerald Davis said it appeared that blood had been pumped from a 1,100 pound Hereford cow before removal of sex organs and one ear.

The reward, offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons involved in the ritualistic-style slayings, was initially established last week in Minnesota.

R.T. Phillips, executive director of the association, said reports of such incidents are increasing and becoming more widespread.

The most recent report, which occurred last week, was of eight cattle slain in 11 days near Glenwood Springs, Colo. In Nebraska's Platte County, 44 such crimes were reported in the past month.

"The killings are certainly illegal, and there are many indications that they are extremely inhumane," Phillips said.

4 plead guilty, get prison terms

CARUTHERSVILLE — Four men pleaded guilty last week in Pemiscot County Circuit Court before Judge William Ragland and were sentenced to jail terms in the State Department of Corrections.

Three men pleaded guilty to armed robbery, including Odie Clifford Bogan, Jessie Lee Bogan and Jimmie Lee Rayford. The Bogans were sentenced to 10 years each in the state penitentiary and Rayford, who drove the getaway auto, was sentenced to five years in prison.

The armed robbery occurred Oct. 23 at El RAncho Motel in Hayti. Taken were two rifles and $1,100 in cash.

The other man sentenced to prison was Robert Grubbs. He was charged with felonious stealing and jail escape. He was sentenced to two years on each charge, with the jail sentences to run consecutively.

Grubbs was charged with felonious stealing in connection with the Sept. 12 theft of $52 from a pay telephone in Steele. He later was charged with escaping from the Pemiscot County jail on Oct. 18.

Pemiscot County Magistrate Court was held Monday and Thursday last week. Judge Sidney Chaffin presided.

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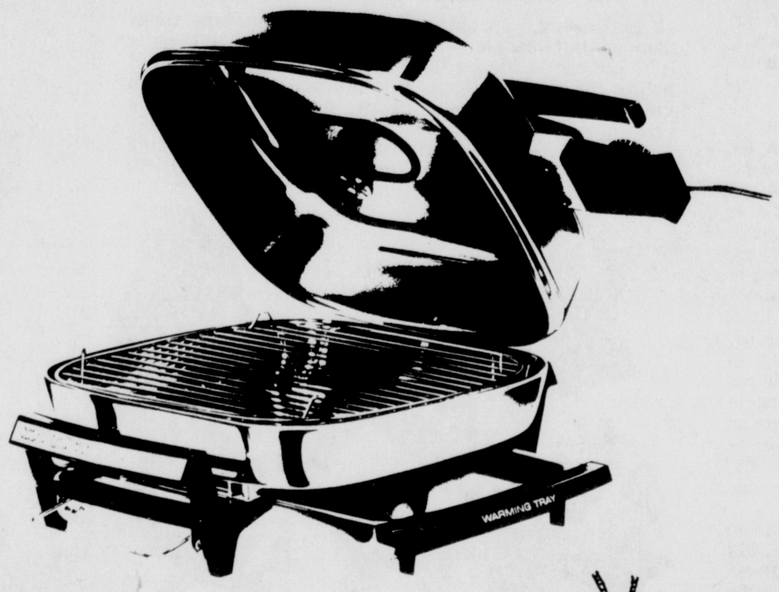

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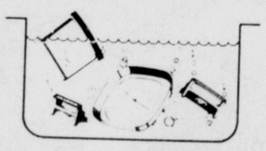

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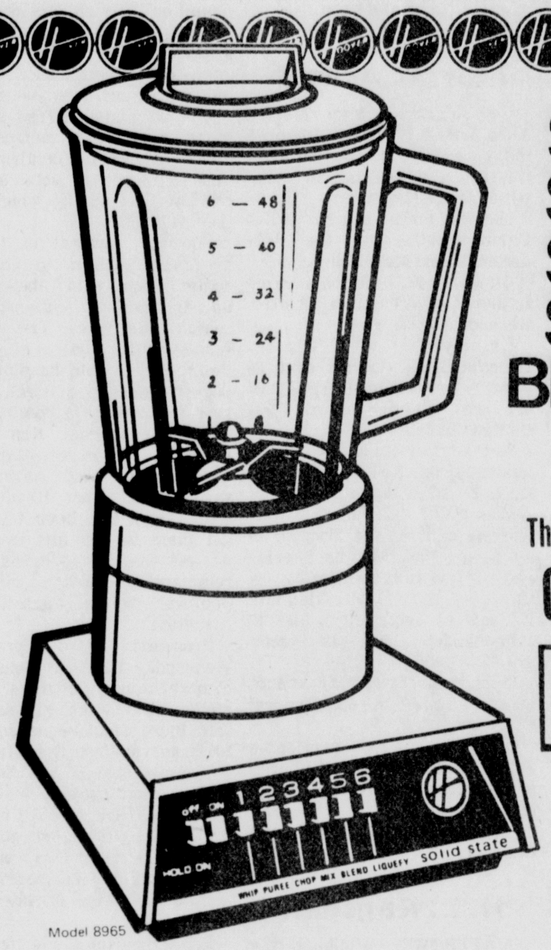

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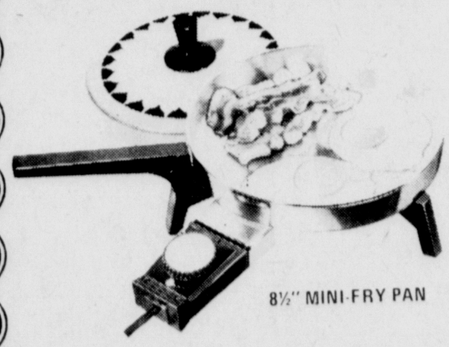

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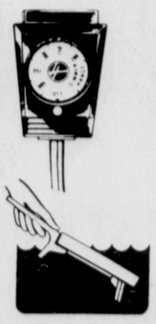

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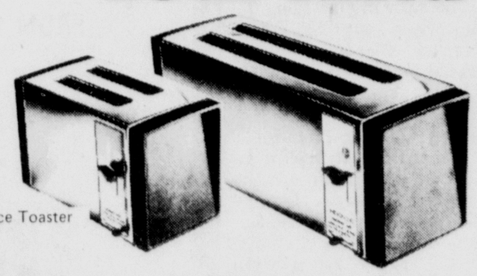

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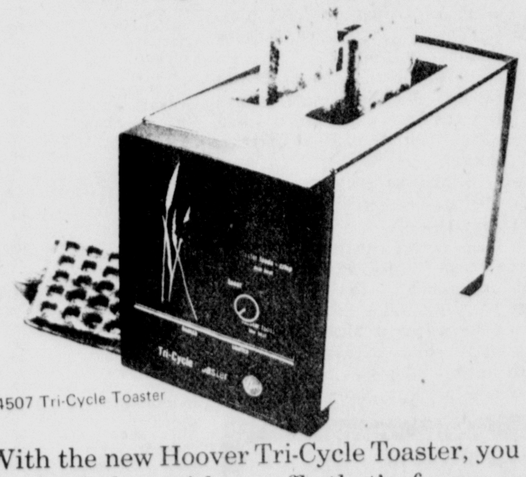

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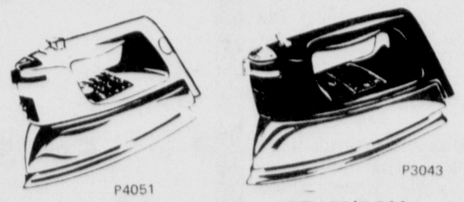

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Deaths

Simon Tanner

NEW MADRID — Simon A. Tanner, 68, a retired Municipal Light and Power Co. plant engineer, died Wednesday at Missouri Delta Community Hospital in Sikeston, where he had been a patient for one day.

Born Oct. 2, 1906 in Malden, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Green Tanner.

He retired in 1972 from the Municipal Light and Power Co., where he had been employed more than 25 years.

On Sept. 3, 1927, he married to Nellie Rachel Price, who survives.

Other survivors include six sons, Doyle, William "Billy", Samuel and Jackie Lee Tanner of New Madrid, Travis Leon Tanner of Spanish Lake and Garrion Michael Tanner, stationed in the Navy in California; four daughters, Helen Virginia Dare of Spanish Lake, Barbara Ann Superko of Lemay and Nellie Marie Harrelston and Reba Doris Adkins of Parsons, Tenn.; three sisters, Telia Davis of New Madrid, Clara Clutts of Centerville and Nora Hansen of Omaha, Neb.; one brother, Ben Tanner of Blodgett; and 36 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at Richards Funeral Home, where services are scheduled at 2:30 p.m. Friday. The Rev. Orvil McKinney will officiate.

Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

Larry A. Larson

Larry Arthur Larson, 68, died at 11:45 p.m. Thursday in Shuffit's Nursing Home. No. 3.

He was born Nov. 12, 1906 at Havana, Ill., and was a retired minister and a World War II veteran.

Surviving are one brother, Chester Larson of Indiana, and five sisters, Mrs. Ivar Pierson and Mrs. Virgie Genaudt of Rockford, Ill., and Mrs. George Baker, Mrs. Verrne Hildrebrand and Mrs. Lyle Hildebrand of Monroe City, Ill.

The body is at Bill o'Guinn Funeral Home, where arrangements are incomplete.

Samuel Sumpter

ANNISTON — Samuel L. "Jack" Sumpter, 71, a retired construction worker, died at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday in Missouri Delta Community Hospital at Sikeston following an extended illness.

He was born Feb. 18, 1903 in Lehigh, Okla., to the late Mr. and Mrs. John Elvin Sumpter and has lived in Mississippi County most of his life.

He was a member of the Baptist Church and Plumbers and Pipefitters Union Local No. 171 of Wichita, Kan.

On Feb. 19, 1951, he married Juanita Balding, who survives.

Friends may call after 5 p.m. today at Shelby Funeral Home in East Prairie, where services are scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Friday. The Rev. John Terry of Mayfield, Ky., will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Anniston Cemetery.

James A. Bates

BLOOMFIELD — James Aaron Bates, infant son of Terry Joe and Glenda Joyce Bates, died shortly after birth Tuesday in a Cape Girardeau hospital

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are three sisters, Cheryle Ann, Ronda Rae and Cathy Lea Bates of the home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Greene, of Torrance, Calif. and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bates of Puxico.

A private prayer service was conducted at 10 a.m. today in Duffie-Rainey Funeral Home at Bernie by the Rev. Clytee Harness of Advance.

Burial was in Bernie Cemetery.

Matthew Condict

BERNIE — Matthew Lynn Condict, infant son of Susan Condict, died Tuesday at University of Missouri Medical Center in Columbia.

He was born Nov. 27, 1974 at Lucy Lee Hospital in Poplar Bluff.

He was preceded in death by a twin brother, Mark, on Dec. 1.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, is his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Condict of Bernie.

A private prayer service was conducted at 11:30 a.m. today in Duffie-Rainey Funeral Home by the Rev. Lloyd Anderson.

Burial was in Bernie Cemetery.

Martha Arnold

CHAFFEE — Mrs. Martha Anna Arnold, 79, died about 4 a.m. today at the Host House in Charleston, where she had been a patient since Nov. 7.

She was born April 15, 1895 at Caruthersville to the late Jeremiah and Mary Johnson.

On March 21, 1920, she married Luther Lee Arnold of Chaffee, who died Nov. 30, 1956.

Employed at Chaffee Manufacturing Co. for over 28 years before retiring in April 1962, she was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Leslie Spink of St. Charles and Luther Lee Arnold Jr. of Jacksonville, Fla.; four daughters, Mrs. Ted Simpher of Jennings, Mrs. Martha Sheeley and Mrs. Robert Kerley of Chaffee and Mrs. Glendola Enderle of Scott City; and 17 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call after 6:30 p.m. today at Amick-Burnett Funeral Chapel.

Services are scheduled at 2 p.m Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Paul Weber, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Unioin Park Cemetery.

H. L. Ragsdale

MATTHEWS — Pallbearers at services today for Herbert L. Ragsdale, 65, who died Monday, were Adair Thorpe, Mike Stovall, Buck Sutton, Junior Trail, Gene Warren and Marvin Hahn.

William Hawkins

COMMERCE — Services for William Hawkins, 85, who died Tuesday are scheduled at 2 p.m. Friday in Amick-Burnett Funeral Home at Benton with the Rev. Dean Hency, pastor of the Commerce Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Oakdale Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Don Nimmo, Tom Hawkins, Dick Hanheide, Frank Glaus, Pete King, Rick Hanheide, Pat Hawkins and William Beardslee.

Bertha Anna Messersmith

Bertha Anna Messersmith, 86, of 814 Gulf St. was pronounced dead on arrival at 12:47 p.m. Wednesday at Missouri Delta Community Hospital.

She was born Aug. 26, 1888 in Nevada, Mo., to the late George Dry and Clara C. Souders Dry and was a member of First Christian Church.

On May 30, 1905, she married Michael Messersmith, who died Sept. 15, 1917.

Survivors include oneson, George F. Messersmith, address unavailable; four daughters, Mary Henson of Sikeston, Pearl Gillenwatter of Muskogee, Okla., and Goldie and Minnie Messersmith, addresses unavailable; two brothers, Nathan Graves of Marshfield and Thad Graves of Emporia, Kan.; three sisters, Mrs. Sarah Muse and Mrs. Henrietta Andres of Emporia, Kan., and Mrs. Georgia Moppens of Oregon; and eight grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Friday in Bill O'Guinn Funeral Home with the Rev. Len Meyers, associate pastor of First Assembly of God Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Carpenter Cemetery.

Vote on Rockefeller scheduled

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nelson A. Rockefeller's confirmation as vice president appears headed for almost 2 to 1 approval by the House Judiciary Committee despite nagging conern over his money.

An Associated Press survey found 25 of the 38 members inclined to vote for confirmation, nine inclined to vote against and four not saying which way they will go.

However, several of the 25 members inclined to vote for confirmation said they were uneasy about it and could yet switch their votes. The vote is scheduled for today. Chairman Peter Rodino said he didn't expect more than a dozen members to oppose the nomination.

One Republican, Rep. Lawrence J. Hogan of Maryland, was among those refusing to say. Several other Republicans said Hogan has been trying to get them to join him in voting no and that he appeared to be reluctant to be the only Republican voting against confirmation.

President Ford predicted Wednesday that the House will overwhelmingly confirm Rockefeller next week although he said there could be as many as 100 votes against Rockefeller.

Commenting on the Senate's confirmation Tuesday by a vote of 90 to 7, Ford said, "I assume the House will do roughly the same." He noted there were 35 votes against his own confirmation as vice president last year.

The President made the comments to Rockefeller's brother, David, during a meeting at the White House.

Ford said Rockefeller would be sworn in as vice president shortly after the House confirmation next Thursday or Friday but said it has not been decided where.

Nearly all of Nelson Rockefeller's opponents and some of his supporters on the House Judiciary Committee cited potential conflict of interest from his wealth and his loans and gifts to public officials.

The Leader of the Band

— and also the creator — is Daisy Welch, who turns peanuts into people. What began 25 years ago as a time-passer during an illness has become more than a hobby for the Bradford, Pa., woman. It is her own unique art form. Tools, below, are simple and the results, right, striking. Her "people" have been widely shown and have won awards at the American Doll Show and, naturally, the National Peanut Exposition.

Tourism advertisements win awards for excellence

JEFFERSON CITY-- Promotional efforts of the Missouri Division of Tourism have received awards for excellence in recent months. The divsiion's spring advertising campaign and a new film on Missouri have both been singled out for praise.

The Women's Advertising Club of St. Louis honored the division's advertising campaign with a Flair Award on Nov. 6. The award is given annually for outstanding advertising produced and appearing in the St. Louis Midwest area. The tourism ads, using the theme, "Seek out the untold secrets of Missouri," were designated as the best complete newspaper campaign by a regional advertiser.

Tourism director James L. Pasley accepted the award on behalf of the division and its advertising agency, D'Arcy-MacManus & Masius of St. Louis.

The division's new film "Seven Ways To Get Away", has received several honors since its release earlier this year. Most recently, the Film Council of Greater Columbus, Ohio, named it as a Bronze Plaque Winner at an awards banquet ending the 22nd annual Columbus Film Festival on Oct. 24.

The 12-minute film, featuring many of the things to see and do in Missouri's seven vacation regions, had been entered in the festival's commercial travel category. Earlier, the film had received a Golden Eagle for exceptional merit from the Council on International Non-Theatrical Events in Washington, D.C.

In addition to the awards it has won, the new film on Missouri was selected by the United States Information Agency last summer to be translated into French and Spanish for showing in Europe.

And just last month, the U.S. Information Agency bought 18 more copies of the film in English for showing at U.S. embassies overseas and on foreign television.

Civic and school groups can get copies of the film on loan here in Missouri or anywhere in the U.S. by writing: Film Librarian, Division of Tourism, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101.

WEATHER ELSEWHERE

By The Associated Press .. Thursday

	HI	LO	PRC	Otlk
Albany	36	24	..	rn
Albu'que	43	23	..	cdy
Amarillo	51	23	..	cdy
Anchorage	30	20	.01	sn
Asheville	49	30	..	cdy
Atlanta	53	46	.01	clr
Birmingham	56	40	.02	cdy
Bismarck	42	25	..	cdy
Boise	43	32	.16	cdy
Boston	45	34	..	rn
Brownsville	63	54	..	cdy
Buffalo	40	34	.04	rn
Charleston	59	45	..	cdy
Charlotte	52	40	.13	cdy
Chicago	40	34	.20	cdy
Cincinnati	43	37	.06	rn
Cleveland	39	35	.37	rn
Denver	45	27	..	cdy
Des Moines	45	25	..	cdy
Detroit	35	33	.29	sn
Duluth	34	15	..	cdy
Fairbanks	8	-10	..	cdy
Fort Worth	50	35	..	clr
Green Bay	37	19	..	clr
Helena	44	33	.02	rn
Honolulu	84	72	..	cdy
Houston	62	50	..	cdy
Ind'apolis	37	35	.22	cdy
Jacks'ville	62	47	..	rn
Juneau	39	37	.06	rn
Kansas City	38	31	.40	clr
Las Vegas	54	39	..	cdy
Little Rock	46	35	..	cdy
Los Angeles	66	48	..	cdy
Louisville	45	42	.10	cdy
Mrquette	37	27	..	cdy
Memphis	51	41	.33	cdy
Miami	70	68	..	cdy
Milwaukee	38	26	..	cdy
Mpls-St. P.	43	22	..	cdy
New Orleans	68	47	.12	cdy
New York	44	42	..	rn
Okla. ity	39	27	..	cdy
Omaha	50	23	..	cdy
Orlando	63	49	..	cdy
Philad'phia	47	37	..	rn
Phoenix	60	37	..	clr
Pittsburgh	44	36	.02	rn
P'tland, Ore.	54	35	.22	rn
P'tland, Me.	46	29	..	cdy
Rapid City	46	23	..	cdy
Richmond	48	39	.01	cdy
St. Louis	42	32	.33	clr
Salt Lake	36	30	.02	cdy
San Diego	63	48	..	cdy
San Fran	50	48	..	cdy
Seattle	51	37	..	rn
Spokane	47	27	..	cdy
Tampa	74	54	..	cdy
Washington	50	41	..	cdy

Hi—Previous day's high.
Lo—This morning's low.
Prc—Precipitation for 24 hours ending 8 a.m. today Eastern time.
Otlk—Sky conditions outlook for today.

Roughing it '70s style: Putting up an artificial three foot Christmas tree in a condominium.

We'd hang up our stocking but all the goodies would fall out of the holes in the toes.

If you don't think the little things count, try taking one piece from the trove of your kid's Christmas candy.

Funds approved for highway safety features

JEFEFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—The Missouri Highway Commission Wednesday approved $4.6 million to start building safety features such as breakaway signs on the state's older highways.

The funds—90 per cent from the federal government and 10 per cent from the state—will go for 84 projects throughout Missouri.

Highways built within the last four years had these safety features installed during construction.

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5,000 and 7,500 were awarded the designation.

In the daily field, 60 per cent of those with circulation between 2,500 and 5,000 were successful as were 75 per cent of those between 5,000 and 7,500. The percentages dropped, however, for dailies between 7,500 and 10,000 to 57.9 per cent, zoomed to 100 per cent for dailies between 10,000 and 20,000 and dropped again to 69.3 per cent for dailies over 20,000 circulation.

Although many former Blue Ribbon newspapers achieved the designation again, some former standard bearers did not measure up this year. Coffman, NEF president, attributed this to the overall improved quality of participating newspapers, and said the judges may be getting more critical.

Coffman said that "the advent of offset, the use of illustrative material and the opening up of the news columns make newspapers more attractive to the reader and more appealing to the eye. The reproduction of half-tones and the quality of make-up and presswork is vastly improved and continues to show improvement each year."

He added, "the one outstanding feature of most of the Blue Ribbon newspapers is the development of the editorial page. Many newspapers not only feature an attractive editorial page offering good comment on local issues, but often offer editorial cartoons to highlight the page. The public opinion forum offered through the 'Letters to the Editor' also shows that many newspapers are getting input from their readers which demonstrates their concern for the local communities they serve."

The National Editorial Foundation, established in 1957, is dedicated to the improvement of journalism and journalism education. It has conducted the annual Blue Ribbon Newspaper Evaluation program since 1969.

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Thurmond, Mullens named All-State

A pair of Southeast Missouri high school football stars were honored today by being named to the Missouri Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association all-state football team.

Richard Thurmond, 1 6-foot East Prairie senior end, was honored along with Kennett's Kenneth Mullens, a 6-foot-2 215 pound senior defensive end. Nine other Bootheel gridders were honored by receiving honorable mention recognition.

Southeast Missouri failed to place a team in the state playoffs for the first time since its inception five years ago.

Ladue High school of St. Louis County didn't make it to the championship game in Missouri 4-A football but it dominated the class' all-state team

Ladue, which lost to St. Louis Sumner in the semifinals 6-0, placed five players on the all-state first team. Sumner and Columbia, the state 4-a champion, each placed two players on the first team.

Boonville, the 3-A champ, led its division with four entries on the all-state team, as did St. Louis Country Day in 2-A and Lockwood in 1-A.

The only sophomore named to any of the four all-state teams was Jeff Steward, a kicking specialist at Tarkio in 1-A

Dennis Campbell, who plays offensive guard and linebacker at King City, made both the offensive and defensive teams in 1-A. Paul Miller, a quarterback and Punter at West Platte, was named to the 2-A team in both positions.

Two brothers from Tipton also were named to the 2-A all-state team--Kirk Koechner, a senior running back, and his brother Kyle, a junior defensive end.

Thurmond is a two year letterman at EPHS where he was second team all-league last season and was named the South's first team split end this year.

In nine games this season, Thurmond caught 35 passes for 624 yards and four touchdowns, an average of over 17 yards per catch.

His coach, Ed Nichols, describes Thurmond as an "excellent blocker".

Defensively, Thurmond played safety on defense, had 41 tackles, 23 assists and intercepted three passes.

His best game was against arch-rival Charleston, where he caught 10 passes for 209 yards.

Thurmond was named to the Daily Standard all-star and all-academic team with his B+ baverage.

Mullens played offensive tackle on the KHS Indians strong side and was the center of traps all season.

Defensively Mullens played to the strong side of the opponents offense and finished the season with 82 individual tackles and listed 38 assists.

All-State honorable mention

CLASS AA

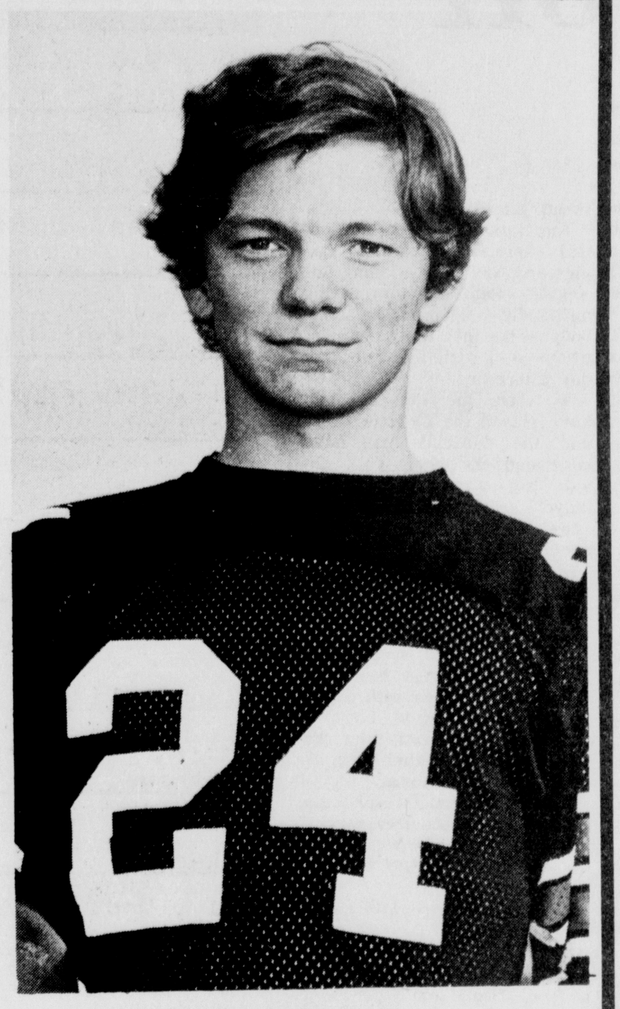
Southeast Missouri athletes only: Alex Clinton, Hayti Dan White, Hayti; Eddie Martin, Hayti; Steve Hanschen, Illmo-Scott City;

CLASS AAA

Greg Johnson, Charleston; Kent Stegall, Malden.

CLASS AAAA

Scott Harrell, Poplar Bluff; David Gross, Cape Girardeau Central; Mike Moss, Poplar Bluff.



Richard Thurmond

Key NMC clash scheduled tonight

MATTHEWS---"Just for the Fans!"

That's what the coaches and school officials say about the off night schedule that finds the undefeated Lilbourn Panthers visiting the Matthews Pirates tonight in a key New Madrid county league encounter.

Schools normally set their games on Tuesday and Friday night, but because of the interest that this encounter has generated, the two teams have gone to an "off night" schedule to offer the Bootheel round ball fan the opportunity to take in the contest.

Lilbourn ran their winning streak to 20 straight games since losing to North Pemiscot late last season, claiming the 2A state championship, North Pemiscot and Sikeston invitational titles since that time. The Panthers are 9-0 this season.

Tuesday night the Panthers made easy work of the Poplar Bluff Mules 64-49, using another balanced offensive attack to defeat their opponent.

All-State junior Frankie Robinson paced the LHS offense with 18 points. Archie Boyd and Ernest McFerren had 16 each to round out the double figure scoring for Lilbourn. Robert Dodd scored 20 for high game honors and Poplar Bluff's leading effort.

Lilbourn defensed its way out to a 15-8 first quarter lead and was never out-scored in any of the eight minute quarters.

Poplar Bluff started the night's hardwood action with a 55-46 win behind Bob Duncan's 14 point leadership. Carl Burton tallied 15 for the Panthers top effort.

Matthews has been up and down all season, taking a 50 point beating at the hands of Scott Central early before taking on the same Braves and playing them down to the wire before losing by less than 10 points in the Oran tournament. The Pirates followed that outstanding performance with a lack-luster game and took a 20 point thrashing from Oran.

Coach Carl Ritter's MHS cagers should be primed for the key league contest and the Pirates cove should be filled for the big clash.

Tuesday's LHS scoring against Poplar Bluff:

LILBOURN (64)

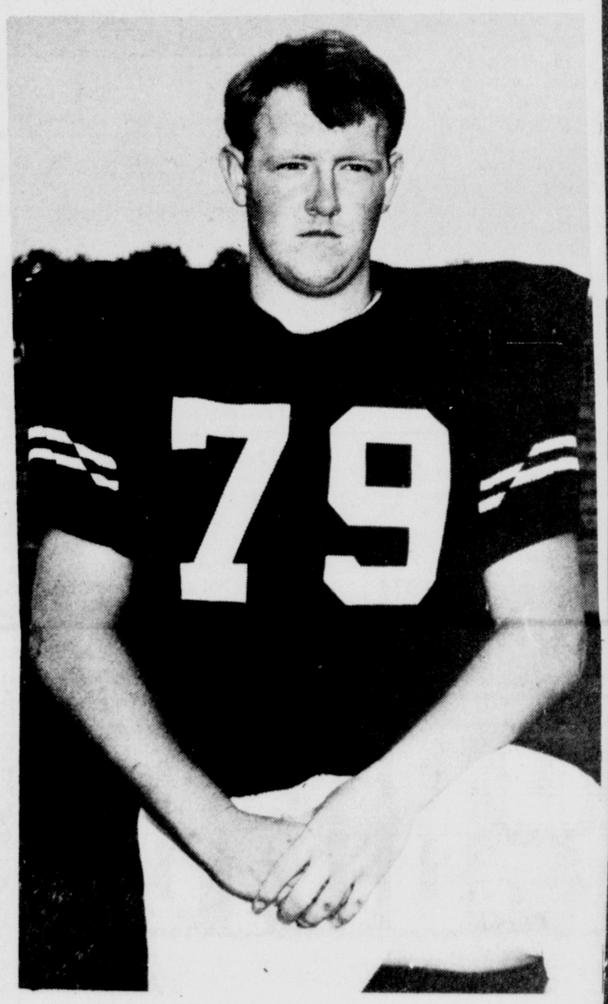
McFerren 16, Det. Treadwell 5, Boyd 16, Robinson 18, Irons 4, Don Treadwell 4, Blair 1. Totals: FG-27; FT-10; PF-12.

POPLAR BLUFF (49)

Dodd 20, Harrell 17, Eddington 2, Turner 4, Blackman 2, Threlkeld 2, Shrum 2. Totals: FG-21; FT-7; PF-15.

Score by Quarters:

Lilbourn	15	23	14	12-64
Poplar Bluff	8	19	10	12-49



Kenneth Mullens

Cardinals need Sunday victory

ST. LOUIS, Mo.--The National Football Conference Eastern Division championship race wil go down to the final week of the season--with the St. Louis Football Cardinals needing a victory over the New York Giant Giants Sunday to nail down their first divisional title in St. Louis.

Kickoff for the Big Red-Giants game in Busch Memorial Stadium will be at 1:05 p.m. (CST) , and tickets are on sale for the game.

The Cardinals go into this weekend tied with the Washington Redskins for first place in the NFC East with 9-4 records. The Big Red were upset for the second straight week last Sunday, losing at New Orleans, 14-0, while a night later, the Redskins forged the tie with a 23-17 victory at Los Angeles.

On Sunday, the Redskins close their regular season schedule at home against the Chicago Bears,. If both the Cardinals and Redskins win Sunday, both will finish with 10-4 records, but the Big Red will be the division champs on the basis of having defeated the Redskins in both head-to-head meetings this season.

However, if the Cardinals lose their third straight game, and the Redskins defeat the Bears, then Washington would become the NFC East Winner and would play at Minnesota, the NFC Central winner, at noon on Saturday, December 21 instead of the Cardinals.

The NFC wildcard team, the runner up in the NFC East, will play at NFC West winner Los Angeles at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 22.

For the Big Red to win their tenth game--also something they have never accomplished in their 15 years in St. Louis--they will have to shake off an offensive slump that saw their running game produce only 64 yards against the Saints. It marked the first time theCardinals have been shut out since 1971. And the Cardinals must defeat the Giants, a team that over the years has built up a 46-17-1 series lead, and in the past has dealt other Big Red playoff teams damaging setbacks.

This year,, the Giants stand 2-11, but three of their last four losses were decided by field goals with two, three and 35 seconds remaining. In the first St. Louis-New York meeting this season, the Big Red won, 23-21, on Jim Bakken's 36-yard field goal with three seconds left.

That victory, three weeks ago, was the Big Red's most recent. Since then, they have lost to Kansas City (17-13), and the Saints. The double losses have concerned head coach Don Coryell.

"We were disappointed last week," Coryell said. "I thought we would play a great game -- as it turned out we didn't play well at all. We've been working hard for five months. Maybe we hit a stage of staleness, but hopefully the shock of the New Orleans defeat will being us out of it."

BASKETBALL

NORFOLK, Va. — The American Basketball Association's Virginia Squires announced the suspension of rookie guard Bill Higgins for "irresponsible conduct."

Royals frosh defeat GHS

GIDEON---Twin Rivers' freshmen beat Gideon here Monday night 53-44 as Maclin fired in 13 points to lead the Royals. Chris Campbell scored 12 for the Bulldogs.

Twin Rivers took an 11-4 lead at the end of the first quarter and held on for the win.

Scoring:

GIDEON (44)

Landers 9, Campbell 12, Hickson 6, Nettles 8, Johnson 2, Brown 5. Totals: FG-15; FT-28; PF-28.

TWIN RIVERS (53)

Breckendridge 7, Walls 5, Maclin 13, Foust 15, Leutert 2, DeCourley 4, Acre 7. Totals: FG-17; FT-37; PF-28.

Score by Quarters:

Gideon	4	14	15	11-44
Twin Rivers	11	15	12	115-53

Prep All-State

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OFFENSIVE

E — Rich Thurmond, East Prairie	6-0	160	Sr.
E — Les Bond, St. Louis Country Day	6-0	170	Sr.
T — Paul Allmon, St. Louis Country Day	6-0	210	Sr.
T — Danny Bohlmeyer, Centralia	6-2	192	Sr.
G Duane Flageolle, Cabool	5-11	160	Sr.
G — Paul Detien, St. L. Country Day	5-11	170	Sr.
C David Shelley, Cassville	6-0	210	Sr.
+Q — Paul Miller, West Platte	6-3	195	Sr.
RB — Kirk Koechner, Tipton	5-10	190	Sr.
RB — Gary Forrest, St. L. Country Day	5-8	160	Sr.
RB — Dennis Hope, Brookfield	5-10	180	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Kyle Koechner, Tipton	5-8	155	Jr.
E — Rob Albersworth, Higginsville	6-4	215	Sr.
L — Rod Schultz, St. Joseph LeBlond	6-1	215	Jr.
L — Robert Musser, East Buchanan	5-9	160	Sr.
L— Mike Aholt, St. Francis Borgia	5-10	192	Sr.
L — Randy Burkhart, Seneca	5-11	225	Sr.
L — Dan McGrath, St. Mary's Indep.	6-2	205	Sr.
L — Terry Wingbermuehle, St. Pius, Festus	6-4	225	Sr.
L — Tony Bolinger, California	5-8	150	Sr.
DB — John Romine, Centralia	6-0	190	Sr.
DB — Pete Miller, John Burroughs	5-10	150	Sr.
PS — Paul Miller, West Platte	6-3	195	Sr.
KS — George Ahlering, Priory	6-2	205	Jr.
+Repeater			

CLASS A

OFFENSSIVE

E — Rob Maupin, Orrick	5-11	160	Jr.
E — Jim Meyer, Greenwood	6-4	185	Sr.
T — Tim Carter, Lathrop	6-1	185	Sr.
T — Dan Scheible, Norborne	6-0	185	SR.
G — Dennis Campbell, King City	5-9	173	Sr.
G — Craig Snodgrass, Lockwood	6-1	195	Sr.
C — Jack Huser, Lockwood	5-10	225	Sr.
Q — Keith Ross, Orrick	6-0	170	Jr.
&RB — Marvin Henderson, Norborne	6-0	180	Sr.
+RB — Nathan Wehrman, Lockwood	6-1	160	Sr.
RB — Mark Bailey, Lathrop	6-1	178	Sr.
RB — Mark Bailey, Lathrop	6-1	178	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Rick Rapp, Grain Valley	6-2	175	Sr.
E — Kent Kurthz, South Holt	6-4	195	Sr.
L — Mark Holcomb, Grain Valley	5-11	175	Sr.
L — Bob Ashby, Lone Jack	5-8	185	Sr.
L — Jerry Clemens, Rock Port	6-2	222	Sr.
L — Duane Sparks, North Shelby	6-0	170	Sr.
L — Bruce Lilienkamp, Lockwood	6-1	185	Sr.
L — Dennis Campbell, King City	5-9	173	Sr.
L — Mike Wackerman, Drexel	6-2	180	Sr.
DB — Rick Loveall, Lone Jack	5-11	175	Jr.
DB — Craig Barker, King City	5-9	140	Jr.
PS — Rick Rainey, King City	6-1	178	Jr.
KS — Jeff Steward, Tarkio	6-3	175	So.
+Repeater			
&Unanimous			

CLASS AAAA

OFFENSIVE

Pos., Player and School	Ht.	WT.	YR.
E — Ray Vollmer, Desmet	6-0	180	Sr.
E — Craig Bartholic, Afton	6-3	175	Sr.
T — Mark Goodspeed, Rockhurst	6-6	225	Sr.
T — Bobby McClure, Ladue	6-3	215	Sr.
G — Ron Lybarger, Wm. Chrisman	5-10	185	Sr.
G — Brian Wunderly, DeSmet	6-0	195	Sr.
C — Stanley Gunn, Sumner 6-2 230 Sr. Q — Mark McIntosh, Raytown S. 5-10 165 Jr.			
RB — Gerry Ellis, Col. Hickman	6-1	210	Sr.
+RB — Ben Cowens, Sumner	6-1	205	Sr.
RB — Brad Heck, Ladue	6-1	205	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Ron Crews, Col. Hickman	6-4	220	Sr.
E — Steve Hamilton, St. Louis Cen.	6-4	220	Sr.
L — Morgan Trokey, Springfield Kickapoo	6-1	196	Sr.
L — Tom Smith, Ladue	6-1	220	Sr.
L — Dennis Balagna, Winnetoka	6-3	250	Sr.
LB — Matt Golden, Ladue	5-11	180	Sr.
LB — Keith Brown, Soldan	6-1	200	Sr.
+LB — Chris Garlich, Rockhurst	6-2	205	Sr.
DB — Bill Beckett, KC Center	5-11	162	Sr.
DB — Kevin Woods, St. L. Southwest	5-9	176	Sr.
DB — Dave Schockley, Ladue	6-1	180	Sr.
PS — Larry Humberg, KC Southwest	5-10	160	Sr.
KS — Greg Sehnert, Normandy	6-1	170	Jr.
+Repeater			

CLASS AAA

OFFENSIVE

E — Notie Pate, Joplin Memorial	6-4	190	Sr.
E — Hubert Guice, KC Lincoln	6-1	180	Sr.
T — Duane Scheible, Washington	5-10	205	Sr.
T — Janer Quint, Booneville	6-1	215	Sr.
G — Tom McNerney, St. Piusof KC	5-10	230	Sr.
G — Lewis Kincade, Maplewood	6-0	205	Jr.
+C — Paul Fitzgerald, Flat River	5-11	190	Sr.
Q — Mark Capra, St. Pius of KC	6-3	195	Sr.
&RB — Mark Thomas, Boonville	6-0	190	Sr.
RB — Chuck Lindley, Kennedy	6-0	190	Sr.
RB — Vince Divella, St. Pius of KC	6-0	170	Sr.

DEFENSIVE

E — Ken Mullins, Kennett	6-2	215	Sr.
E — Tim McGonagle, Chaminade	6-0	175	Sr.
L — Jesse Love, St. Louis McKinley	6-0	170	Sr.
L — John Cunningham, Col. Rock Bridge	5-10	170	Jr.
L — Jerry Grodie, Pacific	6-4	220	Sr.
LB — Ron Neal, Cameron	6-0	185	Sr.
LB — Rick Kempf, Boonville	6-1	185	Jr.
LB — Andy Hagedorn, Washington	5-10	183	Sr.
LB — Darren Barnes, Houston	6-1	175	Sr.
DB — Darrell Dell, Union	5-10	160	Jr.
DB — Mark Hittner, Boonville	6-3	185	Sr.
PS — Guy McClure, Maplewood	6-2	200	Jr.
KS — Larry Basta, Maplewood	6-0	180	Sr.
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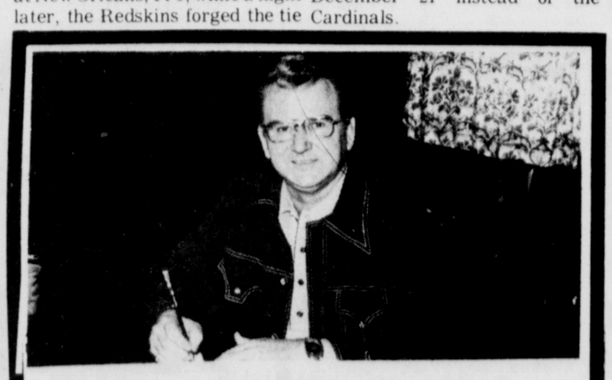

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NFL playoff schedules

NEW YORK (AP) — Set aside your pocket computers, slide rules and ouija boards, football fans. Nobody — not even Commissioner Pete Rozelle — knows where the Washington Redskins and St. Louis Cardinals will open their drives for the National Football League title.

The other six teams in the playoffs don't have that problem. The Oakland Raiders know they can expect a visit from the Miami Dolphins for an American Conference playoff game on Dec. 21, and AFC Central winner Pittsburgh will host the wild-card Buffalo Bills the next day in the other AFC first-round game.

The National Conference Central champion Minnesota Vikings and NFC West-winning Los Angeles Rams are preparing unfriendly welcomes for somebody — but they won't know for whom until sometime late Sunday afternoon.

By then, the Redskins will have played the Chicago Bears and the Cardinals will have concluded the New York Giants' season and each of the playoff-bound NFC teams will know what to tell their travel agents.

Should the Cardinals win, they'll take the East Division title and pack their long underwear for a trip to Minnesota's frozen northlands on Dec. 21. Even if Washington beats the Giants and finishes with a 10-4 record — same as St. Louis — the Cardinals would take the title for having beaten the Redskins twice this season.

Washington, as a result, can send their short-sleeved uniforms to the balmy West Coast for the Dec. 22 NFC playoff game.

The conference semifinal winners will meet on Dec. 29 to decide which two owners will have to foot the bills for a trip to New Orleans and Super Bowl IX on Jan. 12. But the sites for the conference championships won't be decided until there is one shopping day left before Christmas.

In the AFC, championship cities with priority belong to the West, Central and East in that order. So if Oakland beats Miami, they'll get the game; if Miami wins, they'd get the game, but only if Buffalo beats Pittsburgh. If the Dolphins and Steelers both win, the AFC title will be decided in Pittsburgh.

The NFC priority, meanwhile, is East, Central and West. Thus, with St. Louis or Washington playing Minnesota, the winner of that game will host the championship.

Simple, isn't it?

Hart wants more 'play privileges'

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Quarterback Jim Hart says it's a little late to change this year but he'd like more play-selection privileges with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1975.

"You get lazy," admitted Hart, whose plays through the Cards' 9-5 National Football League season have been sent in by messenger from Coach Don Coryell.

"But I'm not going to buck the system," Hart added. "We're in the playoffs, and I'll worry about play-calling in the off season. Perhaps they will have a different feeling then."

Hart says his desire to call his own plays peaked during the frustrations of the Cardinals' 14-0 upset loss Sunday to the New Orleans Saints.

"I have the prerogative to audible," he said, "but it's kind of difficult when half the time the plays come in late.

"I have to use a quick count then, and I just don't have time to be audible," he noted. "We came dangerously close Sunday to getting a penalty for too much time, and the officials warned us a lot the first half."

The Cardinals' all-time leading passer, Hart completed only two of 12 aerials the first half against the Saints and wound up with 16-for-39.

"It's more difficult to concentrate when you're not calling all the plays," the 30-year-old Hart summarized.

Christmas Suggestions of Quality Sporting Goods

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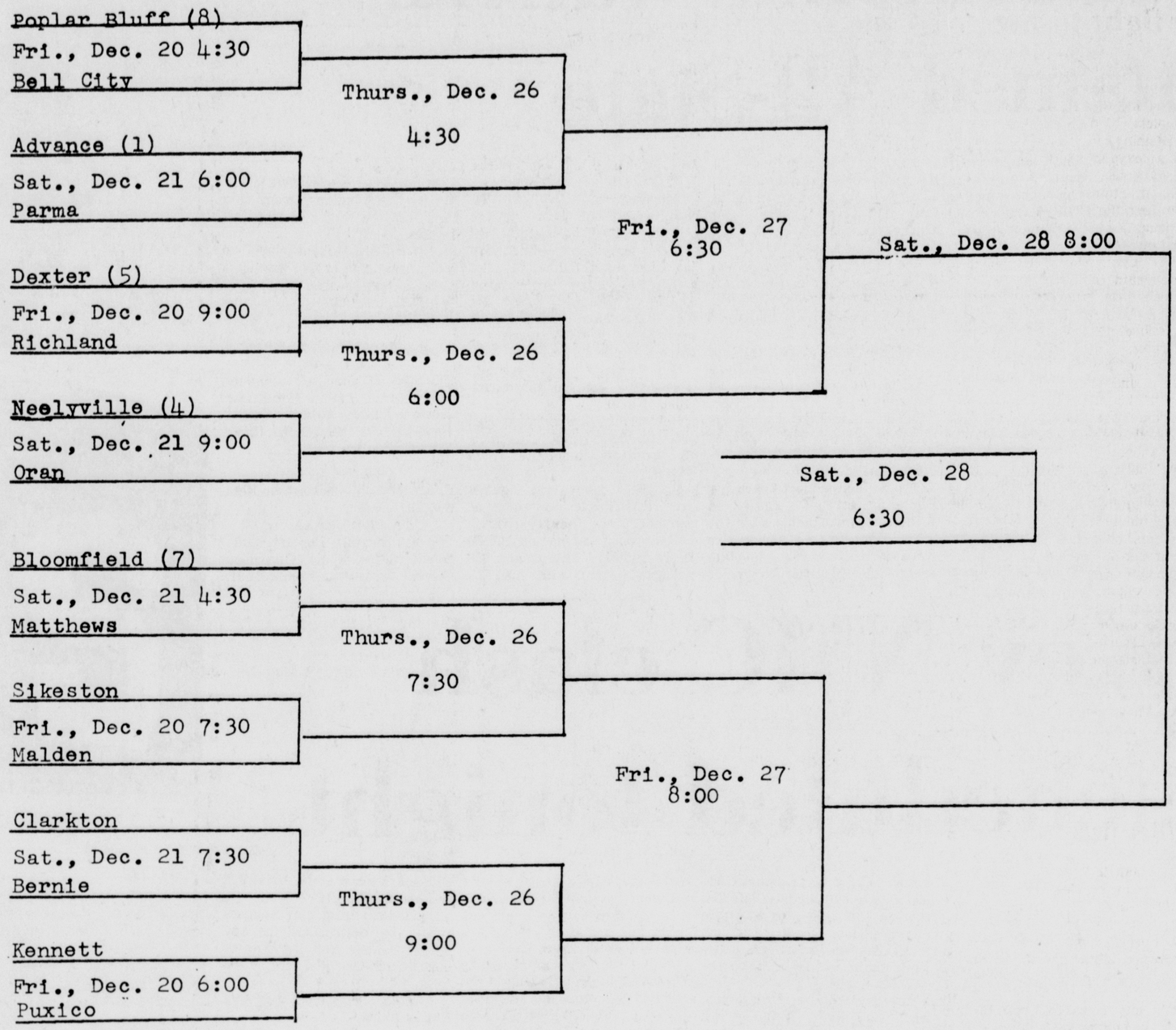

Wave drown Eagles

MALDEN — The MHS Greenwave came from a point first period deficit to run away from the East Prairie Eagles 81-71 here Tuesday night.

The Eagles took a 20-14 first period lead as the Malden players were cold in the shooting department but as the game progressed the Greenwave began to get hot and after trailing 39-34 at the half they rolled over the Eagles 24-14 in the third period and 23-18 in the fourth to even their season record at 2-2.

Malden forwards did the damage to the Eagles with 47 points between them as Clarence Sherrod scored 24 and Larry Moore hit 23. Williford scored 28 for the Eagles and Dixon hit 21.

Malden won the JV game 47-41 as Melvin Townes hit 22 points and Lee Johnson scored 18 for East Prairie.

Scoring:

MALDEN (81)
Sherrod 24, Moore 23, Barker 10, Thompson 10, Anderson 8, Leuckel 4, Provence 2. Totals: FG-35; FT-11; PF-18.

E. PRAIRIE (71)
Dixon 21, Williford 28, Shipman 9, Johnson 9, Bradley 4. Totals: FG-31; FT-9; PF-14.

Score by Quarters:

Malden	14	20	24	23	-81
E. Prairie	20	19	14	18	-71

Lions topple Ark.

SENATH — Coach Jim Isbell's SHHS Lions won their seventh game of the season against one loss by beating Caraway, Ark. 66-55 here Tuesday night. The Lions only loss came to Caraway in the Senath tournament earlier by only three points.

Senath outscored the Arkansas team 14-12 in the first period but increased the lead to 25 late in the fourth period before Caraway began to pick up.

Steve Droke scored 20 for the Lions. Roger Overman hit 17 for the losers. Senath defeated Delta C-7 Saturday night for their sixth win of the season.

Senath won the JV game 56-36 as David Kitchens scored 12 points.

Scoring:

SENATH (66)
Bost 13, Steve Droke 20, Lewis 3, Lemons 10, Pritchett 8, Duckworth 5, Hart 6, Arnold 1. Totals: FG-28; FT-10; PF-14.

CARAWAY, ARK (55)
Gibson 10, Johnson 4, Stevens 4, Killough 9, Overman 14, Gibson 7, Finch 4, Abernathy 3. Totals: FG-25; FT-5; PF-21.

Score by Quarters:

Senath	14	20	18	14	-66
Caraway	12	11	14	18	-55

Royals win 7th

BROSELY — Twin Rivers advanced their record to 7-1 Tuesday night when they defeated Naylor 78-50.

Twin Rivers played steady ball to move out from the Naylor team. At the half, the Royals held a 41-27 lead. From there, it was all downhill for the Eagles as they could not come up to the playing of Twin Rivers.

The home team shot 59 percent from the floor.

Leading scorer for Twin Rivers was Gary McBroom with 18. Stan Morgan and Jim Pope added 17 and 16 respectively. Johnson was high man for Naylor with 19.

Twin Rivers squeeked out a 50-48 win in the B-team. Mark Lance and Larry Acre scored 14 markers for the home team. Dan Brown also hit 14 for Naylor's high score.

Scoring:

TWIN RIVERS (78)
McBroom 18, Morgan 17, Pope 16. Totals: FG-36; FT-6; PF-25.

NAYLOR (50)
Johnson 19, Murdoch 13, Crumley 10. Totals: FG-19; FT-12; PF-23.

Score by Quarters:

Twin Rivers	20	21	17	20	-78
Naylor	14	13	13	10	-50

Cards win, beat Dogs

LUTESVILLE---Woodland came out on top of a 69-62 decision in a battle with the Zalma Bulldogs Tuesday night. The Cardinals moved their record to 5-2.

It was a close game with Zalma taking the first lead at the end of the opening quarter, 16-14. Woodland picked up two baskets over the visiting team to hold a 32-30 halftime lead.

The Cardinals began building up a lead from there. Zalma narrowed it down but could not penetrate the defensive field enough and had to suffer the loss.

Don Wesbecher hit for 19 points for the home team. Carl Black and Ron Wesbecher had 16 each. Zalma's Nicky West scored 20 with Kirkpatrick and Lineberry following with 18 and 12 points respectively.

Larry Gaines led the Woodland team to a 58-37 win in B-team action. Gaines scored 30 markers.

Scoring:

WOODLAND (69
Black 16, Wesbecher 19, R. Wesbecher 16, Smith 9, Long 8, Minson 4, Greer 1. Totals: FG-27; FT-15; PF-15.

ZALMA (62)

ZALMA (62)
West 20, Burchett 3, Kirkpatrick 18, Lineberry 12, Lemons 6, Stan West 3. Totals: FG-28; FT-5; PF-28.

Score by Quarters:

Woodland	14	18	20	17	-69
Zalma	16	14	14	18	-62

FUNNY BUSINESS — By Roger Bollen

Pro Basketball

By The Associated Press

NBA

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Buffalo	18	8	.692	—
New York	17	8	.680	½
Boston	15	10	.600	2½
Philaphia	10	16	.385	8

Central Division

Washington	19	7	.731	—
Cleve	14	10	.583	4
Atlanta	12	13	.480	6½
Houston	12	14	.462	7
New Orleans	3	23	.115	16

Western Conference

Midwest Division

Detroit	14	13	.519	—
K.C.-Omaha	13	14	.481	1
Chicago	11	13	.458	1½
Milwaukee	10	15	.400	3

Pacific Division

Golden State	17	9	.654	—
Seattle	14	15	.483	4½
Phoenix	12	15	.444	5½
Portland	12	16	.429	6
L.Angeles	11	15	.423	6

Wednesday's Results

Philadelphia 103, Houston 96
New Orleans 106, Golden State 103
Detroit 103, Washington 89
Phoenix 104, Portland 100
Cleveland 97, Seattle 95

Thursday's Games

Houston vs. Buffalo at Toronto
Golden State at Atlanta
Kansas City-Omaha at Milwaukee

Friday's Games

Washington at Boston
New York at Buffalo
Milwaukee at Philadelphia
New Orleans at Chicago
Detroit vs. Kansas City-Omaha at Omaha
Seattle at Los Angeles
Cleveland at Phoenix

ABA

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kentucky	16	7	.696	—
New York	18	9	.667	—
St. Louis	11	18	.379	8
Memphis	8	19	.296	10
Virginia	5	20	.200	12

West Division

Denver	24	4	.857	—
San Anton	16	10	.615	7
Utah	13	14	.481	10½
Indiana	10	13	.435	11½
San Diego	9	16	.360	13½

Wednesday's Results

New York 117, St. Louis 96
Memphis 104, Kentucky 97
Utah 115, Virginia 91
Denver 117, Indiana 114

Thursday's Games

Utah at St. Louis
San Diego at San Antonio

Friday's Games

Virginia at San Diego
Kentucky at Indiana
San Antonio at Memphis
Utah at New York

Metcalf improves

ST. LOUIS (AP)—National Football League season-closing prospects brightened Tuesday for the St. Louis Cardinals via the improved condition of running back Terry Metcalf.

The Cardinals, who have lost twice with Metcalf subpar in the past two weeks, said the 185-pound back is almost completely recovered from a sprained toe and is a probable starter for the Sunday game against the New York Giants in St. Louis.

Metcalf, who carried only 13 times in losses to the Kansas City Chiefs and New Orleans Saints, is the Cardinals' leading rusher with 642 yards and top pass receiver with 45 catches.

Also listed as a probable participant against the Giants is safety Ken Reaves, who suffered a slightly sprained ankle in the loss last week to the Saints.

Fourteenth-season tackle Ernie McMillan, who is suffering from a chronic neck injury, was listed as questionable. The Cardinals said 5,900 seats remain unsold for the game.

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3 surving sextuplets gain in fight to live

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Halfway through their first week of life, the three surviving sextuplets of Catherine Lange are gaining in their struggle against oxygen starvation, hospital officials say.

The premature babies, born after their mother took a fertility drug, remained in guarded condition Wednesday at Valley Medical Center and Dr. James Harrod said the next few days will be "most crucial."

Jason Wesley, Brian Walter and Jolene Rene are fighting in respirators against hyaline membrane disease which killed William and Kelley Irene within five hours of each other Tuesday. The sixth infant, a boy, died within hours after the birth Sunday.

The nursing supervisor said the tiny survivors showed "slight improvement in respiratory functions."

Doctors said hyaline disease is common in premature births. A glassy coating prevents inhaled oxygen from penetrating into lung tissue for absorption into the bloodstream.

Mrs. Lange, 26, who lost quadruplets on Nov. 23, 1973, gave birth to the sextuplets within a 45-minute period Sunday. They were born three months premature and ranged in weight from 1 pound 15 ounces to 2½ pounds.

Policemen get bullet-proof vests

BALTIMORE (AP) — Earlier this year, policeman Frank Whitby wrote a memo suggesting that the department buy bullet-proof vests. A week after he turned in the memo he was shot to death in the line of duty.

The city now has committed itself to buying vests for its 3,600 policemen at a cost of about $70 per vest. The vests, made of lightweight metal alloys, weigh 1¼ pounds each.

Letters to Santa used by groups to aid needy

NEW YORK (AP) Some are written on torn pieces of paper with frayed edges. Some are handwritten in bright crayon colors. Many are unsigned and unstamped. But they all begin: "Dear Santa."

The appeals range from little Cathy, who asked for 40 different toys, to Shanta Arun of Allison Park, Pa., who wrote, "All I want is for everybody to be happy on Christmas Day."

Many of the children were concerned with the health of Santa, Mrs. Claus and the elves, spelled "elfs" in most of the letters.

"I've been worrying about you lately. It's so cold in the North Pole. How are your reindeer? Keeping in shape, I hope, for that big day," wrote Martin Walker of Cambria Heights, N.Y.

The New York General Post Office receives thousands of such letters addressed to the North Pole and environs. They are not tossed out or left to idle, postal officials say. They are left for individuals and organizations to take in order to help provide a happier Christmas to a needy child or family.

Postmaster John R. Strachan said the practice started more than 40 years ago as a project of clerks in the money order division. It has since mushroomed into an official project, with public support and donations, he said. There are similar projects elsewhere in the nation.

Many Santa Claus letters are not from youngsters, but from indigent parents who say they haven't the money to buy presents for their children.

A Brooklyn, N.Y., mother of six, said her children "are patiently waiting for Santa, but unless I get lucky, there'll be an empty tree."

Sal and Nicholas Santoro live in the Bronx in a house without heat or hot water. "This Christmas, we won't be getting anything. Daddy is not working and mommy is sick," said Sal, 15, and Nicholas, 5, in their letter.

"We would appreciate whatever we get from you, even if it's just a toy each.... I'm sure mommy would appreciate a new boiler or heater to keep us warm."

And John Murray, of Assonet, Mass., was kind enough to compute the cost of the nine items he wanted Santa to bring. It was $38.08.

The letters are available to the public until 3 p.m. Dec. 24, at the General Post Office.

Monarch would be state insect

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — The monarch butterfly would become the official state insect under one of the nearly 500 proposals submitted so far for consideration in the upcoming regular session of the legislture.

Introduced in the House Wednesday was a proposal permitting Missouri motorists to obtain personalized license plates for a cost of $12 over the regular license fee.

The measure would allow the director of revenue to issue plates "containing letters or combinations of letters or numbers."

It has been passed before but vetoed by the governor, who has opposed issuance of any special license tags. A test case concerning discontinuance of low-number license plates is currently pending before the Kansas City Court of Appeals.

The state highway department would be required, under one bill, to mark "all blacktopped roads in the state highway system" with a yellow centerline while another proposal would revise the size of the legislature.

While a number of measures have been introduced since Dec. 1 to change the legislative makeup, the latest would reduce the House from 163 members to 120 but raise the Senate from 34 members to 40.

Hoffman cast in production

FULTON--John S. Hoffman of Sikeston played the part of Thorin in a Dec. 6-8 production of the play, "The Hobbit", by the Westminister College-William Woods College theatrical group.

Hoffman, son of Mrs. Shirley J. Perkins of 211 Kennedy Drive, Sikeston, is a freshman at Westminister College.

"The Hobbit" is one of several plays to be presented by the theatrical group this school year.

Rising prices boost wheat crop value

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rising prices helped boost the value of the 1974 wheat crop about $1 billion over last year's harvest, although production was far less than the government had expected.

The Agriculture Department said Tuesday this year's crop value to farmers is a record of more than $7.7 billion, including an average 1974-75 season market price of $4.32 per bushel.

Last year, when the average farm price of wheat was a record then of $3.96 per bushel, the crop was worth more than $6.7 billion. Soaring prices since mid-1972 have been the main reason, along with larger production the past two years.

Revised figures show the 1974 wheat crop was slightly less than 1.8 billion bushels, up only 13 million bushels from the previous USDA estimate made two months ago. That put this year's harvest about 5 per cent above the previous record in 1973.

But that was far less than the nearly 2.2 billion bushels of wheat the department had expected last spring, based on plantings and normal yields. Poor weather in major parts of the breadbasket sliced that projected yield by about 400 million bushels, which would have been roughly enough to double the U.S. wheat stockpile by next summer if it had materialized.

In the leading wheat state of Kansas, for example, a poor growing season reduced this year's wheat harvest to 319 million bushels from a record of nearly 385 million in 1973 despite more acres planted.

Reductions in yields were reported for many other wheat states.

"Yield per acre of the 1974 crop at 27.4 bushels is the lowest average yield since 1967 and compares with 31.7 for the 1973 crop and 32.7 in 1972," the department's Crop Reporting Board said.

The 1974 wheat harvest was from 65.5 million acres, 22 per cent more than in 1973 and the most since 1953 when 67.8 million acres were harvested, official said.

Bell City choir, band to present concert

BELL CITY--The Bell City High School music department, under the direction of Joe Pappas, will present its annual Christmas concert Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

The concert will feature the choir in a numbe number of contemporary Christmas songs. The high school band will perform "Christmas Moods" and "Saint Nicholas Suite", as well as more traditional numbers.

The concert will be free to the public.

3 elected to chamber board

DEXTER--Dr. Robert Boon, L.J. Daniels and John William Ringer were elected to three-year terms on the Chamber of Commerce board of directors following a vote count at Wednesday's lucheon meeting.

The three new board members replaced Chester Medler, Louis Jones and Bob Robbins, whose terms have expired.

Harold Williams was elected to serve the balance of an unexpired term created by a resignation.

600 Persons Talk About Failed 'Market-Garden'

A BRIDGE TOO FAR. By Cornelius Ryan. Simon & Schuster. 670 Pages. $12.50.

"Shortly after 10 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 17, 1944, from airfields all over southern England the greatest armada of troop-carrying aircraft ever assembled for a single operation took to the air."

This was the beginning of Market-Garden, a combined airborne and ground attack conceived by British Field Marshal Montgomery to quickly end the war with Germany. The aim of the operation was for a huge force of paratroops to drop into Holland, seize, among other things, a vital bridge at Arnhem, then link up with a powerful army battling its way toward them on the ground, and together smash into Germany.

It didn't work.

After nine days of fierce, almost constant, fighting the Allied forces were unable to achieve their objectives and pulled back, having taken, according to Cornelius Ryan, combined losses in killed, wounded and missing of more than 17,000 — more casualties than were suffered in the invasion of Normandy. The reasons why this bold operation failed are carefully detailed

Dr. Lamb

Intestinal ills may be linked

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D

DEAR DR. LAMB — I have been subject to spastic colitis for some time. My new ailment is diverticulosis. What is the difference between the two ailments? What are the dangers that may occur suddenly or otherwise? What steps should be taken to balance the two ailments? Who should I see and what medicine should I take? What are the chances for recovery?

DEAR READER — Most specialists in gastroenterology today believe the two conditions may be related. Diverticulosis means small pockets on the colon. These pockets are caused by a rupture of the wall of the colon, like an innertube that has a weakened wall.

The sac-like pocket is a diverticulum. It is thought that diverticula develop because of increased pressure inside the colon. The pressure is caused by poor bowel function such as spastic colon.

There may be other factors involved, such as an inherently weak spot in the colon to begin with, before the pressure problems occur. The diverticulum is something like an appendix. It can be inflamed or rupture giving the signs of appendicitis. It can have a small leak causing pain and discomfort. It can bleed, causing a sudden, serious loss of blood.

Often the diverticula may go unnoticed. The problem is quite common in people over 40. By age 50 about half of the population has diverticulosis, so you are not unique. Most of them have no symptoms.

Some people have abdominal pain and cramping that is confused with diverticulosis. These pains are often the underlying problem of spastic colon.

Treatment of both of these problems requires development of proper bowel habits. You need quite a bit of help to do it right. For information you can write to me at P. O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019 and ask for the two booklets, Spastic Colon and Diverticulosis. Send 50 cents for each booklet to cover costs.

There has been a change in thinking about diets for these problems. Bland diets used to be recommended under the impression that they would soothe the troubled bowel. it is often necessary to eat a soft or liquid diet or sometimes nothing during an acute problem, like an acute inflammation or certainly during a hemorrhage. Otherwise, when the acute problem is under control the practice today is to provide food with lots of bulk.

That spastic colon is really a cramp of the muscles in your colon. When there is not enough bulk in the colon, the normal rhythmic contraction of the colon is interfered with. The muscles must contract more to squeeze the food residue through the colon. The overcontraction leads to spasm and pain. The bowel is literally closed off.

Human itch may be caused by puppies

CHICAGO (AP) — Puppy dogs may be the source of some cases of human itch, a skin specialist says.

There have been numerous reports of outbreaks of itch, or scabies, around the world in recent years.

Maj. Ernest N. Charlesworth, a military physician at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., told the annual meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology Tuesday that he and colleagues traced 15 cases of human itch to five mongrel puppies from a litter of eight. Owners of the other three dogs could not be found.

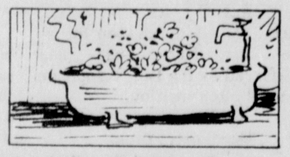
The mite which causes itch in dogs does not propagate on human bodies, unlike another kind of mite which does live and propagate on human beings.

Charlesworth said the dermatitis which humans get from dogs — usually puppies — probably is a sensitivity, or allergic, reaction.

Because no mites are found in skin scrappings from humans who have been in contact with dog mites, the disease often is misdiagnosed, Charlesworth told newsmen.

And he added that veterinarians often neglect to inform owners of dogs with mange caused by mites that it may cause symptoms in humans.

Charlesworth also said that unless infected animals are treated and cured, they can continue to cause skin problems for humans. He said it is also possible also for humans to develop dermatitis from being in contact with a place where the animals have been, such as a couch or a carpet.



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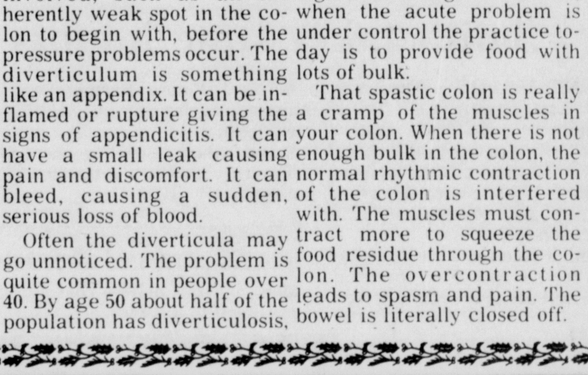

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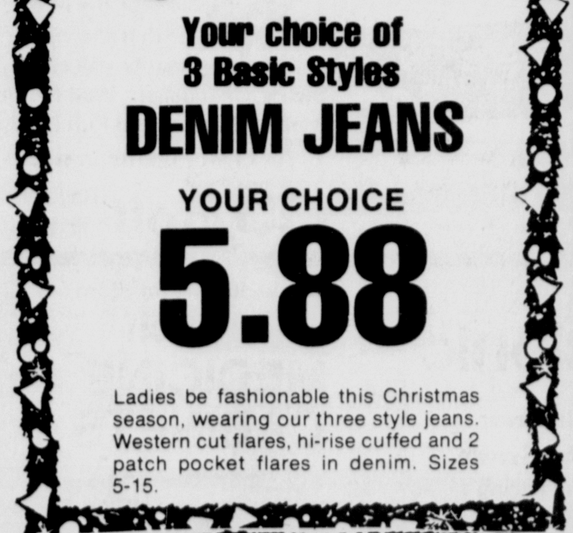

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50 years ago
December 12, 1924

Mr. and Mrs. C. White spent Sunday in Bertrand

Miss Helen Grojean spent the weekend in Dexter with homefolks.

Mrs. Ewell Barger and children of Wardell are here for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.G. Gresham.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Keller left last Wednesday for Charleston, where they will make their future home. Mr. Keller has been transferred by the Bell Telophone Co., to a better position.

40 years ago
December 12, 1934

R.G. Allen, former county collector, assumed his duties as acting postmaster of Benton, after receiving official notice of his appointment from Washington last week. He succeeds R.M. Tirmenstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson announce the birth here Saturday of a daughter , who has been named Gail Galora.

A son was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bingham of Chickasha, Okla., according to a telegram received here by Mrs. J.W. Schroff. Mrs. Bingham is a granddaughter of Mrs. Schroff, and was formerly of Sikeston.

A fire, which started early Saturday from sparks from the flue, burned a four-room frame house and all furnishings beyond repair. The house, located on Wakefield in the north part of town, was owned by T.A. Slack and occupied by Mrs. Helton and her children.

30 years ago
December 12, 1944

First Lt. Carol E. Davis has been killed in action a message from the War Department to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Davis, 410 West North street, stated Tuesday. Lt. Davis had previously been reported missing but a Tuesday message brought word that he was now listed as killed in Germany on October 6.

Pfc. Joe E. Moss, son of E.L. Moss of Sikeston, was reported missing in action in France November 9, a message from the War Department to his wife stated last week. Pfc. Moss has has been in service three years and overseas with an infantry regiment since May, 1944.

Hospital notes. Mrs. D.A. Merrick of Sikeston, Route 2, entered December 4 and a girl was born to her the following day.

Mrs. James Lindsey of Canalou entered December 5, and a girl was born to her on the same day.

Mrs. W.C. Reid, 233 Gladys street, entered December6, and girl was born to her on the same day.

Sgt. Charles Lough, jr., nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Martin an and son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lough of Charleston, is expected home the last of this week to spend a 30-day furlough. he has been in the South Pacific.

20 years ago
December 12, 1954

Mrs. Claude Sterett and daughter, Miss Frances McGonagill and daughter, Roberta, are moving the latter part of this week to make their home in Poplar Bluff.

San Diego, Calif.--Charles G. Hill, teleman seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hill of Route 3, Box 133, Sikeston, is scheduled to return here December 16th aboard the destroyer tender USS Piedmont completing a tour of Far Eastern duty.

Dexter-- The employes of the Dexter Post office and their families honored John Bingham, who recently retired from the service, with a covered dish supper at the legion Cabin on December 8.

Sikeston's young and inexperienced Bulldogs dropped their second in a row in the battle for third place at the Jackson tourney Saturday, but the local lads gained a wealth of court knowledge in bowing to Chaffee, 44-38.

Students chosen by teachers

Students of the month at East Prairie High School, selected by members of the faculty each month, from left, are Richard Thurmond, junior; Brent Davis, freshman; Lisa Riggs, junior; and Deb Organ, senior.

Smith takes state honors in contest

EAST PRAIRIE — Eric Smith, the East Prairie High School sophomore who won district competition in this year's annual Farm Bureau public speaking contest, was awarded second place in state competition Dec. 8 at Jefferson City.

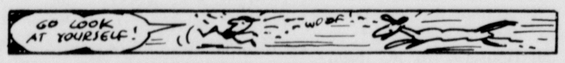
Smith received a cash prize of $50 for his speech on the topic, "Farm Bureau Gives You More".

The local Future Farmers of America chapter receives $15 of the prize money.

Seven other district winners competed with Smith in the state contest.

He is the son of James Smith and the late Doris Reeves Smith.

He was accompanied to Jefferson City by Roy Cloud, agriculture instructor of the East Prairie FFA chapter.



Many persons believe that a dog will have convulsions if it sees itself in a mirror.

Students of month named at EPHS

EAST PRAIRIE---Deb Organ is the senior student of the month at East Prairie High School.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Organ, she has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, Future Homemakers of America for four years and serves as FHA chapter president this year.

Miss Organ has been in Youth for Community Betterment for two years, and is reporter for the organization this year. Other activities include membership in the photography club and serving as business manager of the Link, the school yearbook.

She plans to attend Southeast Missouri State University at Cape Girardeau and major in English with a journalism or business minor. She attends First Church of God.

The junior class student of the month is Richard Thurmond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Thurmond.

He has been a member of Future Farmers of America for three years and has lettered in football two years and track one year. Thurmond was selected on the all-conference second team as an end last year and this year was named to the all-academic team and the SeMo all-star football team.

He attends First Baptist Church.

Lissa Riggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Riggs, has been selected as student of the month for the sophomore class.

She has been a member of the student council, girls's glee club, double sextet, stage band, band, Future Home Makers of America, National Honor Society and presently is second vice president of the FHA chapter and secretary of her class.

She also attends First Baptist Church, where she is a member of Acteens.

The freshman student of the month is Brent Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Davis.

Davis was a member of the Pepmiller Honor Society at Webb Junior High School and is a member of student council and Youth for Community Betterment this year.

He attends First Christian Church, where he is a member of the church choir.

USE THE DAILY STANDARD CLASSIFIED ADS

Prayer

"Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me."

PRAYER: O God, help us by the power of Your Holy Spirit to be faithful and effective witnesses for You, proclaiming by what we say and do that we are Your children. In Christ's name. Amen.

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Speech classes to entertain

EAST PRAIRIE — Students in the elementary schools will be entertained next week two Christmas plays presented by Speech I classes of the high school.

"The Little Angel Who Was Always Late" will be presented by the second hour class, and "The Mouse Who Didn't Believe in Santa" will be performed by the fourth hour speech class.

Characters in the first play are: Annie, portrayed by Claudetta Hawkins; First Angel, Jeanne Andrews; Second Angel, Ellen Lingle; Third Angel, Pam Shehorn; Fourth Angel, Donald Robinson; Fifth Angel, Earl Bryant; Choir of Angels, includes the angels above plus Donna Carden and Roy Dixon; Timekeeper, Keith Tucker; Timekeeper's Assistant, Kenneth Brack; Uncle Gabriel, Jeff Emory; Joseph, Kenneth Brack; Mary, Linda Aydelott; lighting, Ivan Bramlett; stage manager, Clayton Burney; and assistant manager, Freddy Ditto.

Performing in the second play will be: Squeakmibble, Marla Dick; Sniffwhiskers, Keith Haddock; Velvetpaws -- Ellen Griner; Rripalony, Kevin Gulledge; Momma Mouse -- Kevin Pritchett; Pete the Cat, Brent Davis; Mr. Clock, Winfred Oliphant; Santa Clause, Kelly Munson; and stage manager -- George Bays.

The Trial of Billy Jack
Starring
DELORES TAYLOR
and
TOM LAUGHLIN PG

FOURTH
SMASH WEEK
CINEMA II

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Check Theatres for Show Times

What's the law?

The case of the cowed cows

By JACK STRAUSS, LL.B.

Farmer Jones and Farmer Smith were neighbors who never got along because they argued from different premises. The pay-off came, however, when one of Farmer Jones's philandering bulls, of unsocial register origin, infiltrated Farmer Smith's pasture and had a dalliance with several of Farmer Smith's pure and untouched registered heifers.

The experience, insisted Farmer Smith, so upset his heifers that they were unwilling, thereafter, to fraternize with any other bulls. consequently, he sued Farmer Jones for damages.

"By permitting his bum of a bull to go wolfing among my young and naive heifers," he complained in court, "Farmer Jones ruined them for purposes of breeding."

"Nonsense," retorted Farmer Jones. "There's no proof that his heifers suffered from the experience. They could have been bull-haters to start off with. If they had a psychological problem, I can't be blamed for that."

IF YOU WERE THE JUDGE , would you make Farmer Jones pay because his bull cowed Farmer Smith's heifers?

This is how the jduge rules: NO! The judge held that the reason for the apparent loss of the capacity of FarmersFarmer Smith's heifers to breed was purely speculative and damages cannot be paid on speculation. In order to collect, noted the judge, Farmer Smith had to prove that his heifers shunned other bulls specifically as the result of the intrusion of Farmer Jones's bounder of a bull which he failed to prove. (Based upon a 1964 Wisconsin Supreme Court Decision)

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7:30
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And
The Mysterious Island of Captain Nemo

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7:30
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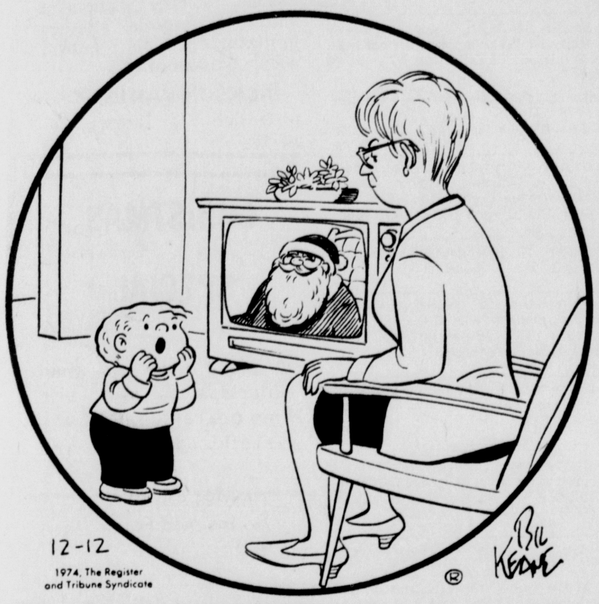

"Was Santa's beard BLACK when you were little, Grandma?"

"WHY CAN'T THEY JUST HIDE UNDER THE BED LIKE OTHER PETS DO?"

SIDE GLANCES by Gill Fox

"Perhaps Monsieur would prefer the large, three-bite steak!"

CARNIVAL by Dick Turner

"No, I don't want it repaired like new! I want it fixed like it should have been in the first place!"

OUT OUR WAY by Neg Cochran

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople

STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars.

To develop message for Friday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

1 Relax	31 For	61 That	
2 You	32 Introduction	62 Through	
3 Skip	33 Chores	63 Attractive	
4 You'll	34 Then	64 Efforts	
5 Maintain	35 The	65 To	
6 Meetings	36 Might	66 Improve	
7 Obtain	37 Good	67 Into	
8 Give	38 Be	68 Wardrobe	
9 Excellent	39 People	69 Help	
10 Money	40 Organized	70 Feelings	
11 Get	41 Health	71 Way	
12 Rest	42 Promoting	72 Despite	
13 Could	43 To	73 Personality	
14 Situations	44 Out	74 Income	
15 Welcome	45 Get	75 Potential	
16 Your	46 Powers	76 Are	
17 With	47 Cause	77 Favored	
18 An	48 News	78 Finances	
19 Thought	49 Avoided	79 Concerning	
20 Day	50 Could	80 The	
21 Differences	51 Judgment	81 Money	
22 Distasteful	52 Ar ?	82 Be	
23 Today	53 Harmony	83 Fair	
24 Antagonize	54 An	84 Other's	
25 Which	55 Of	85 Opposition	
26 Unexpected	56 Probably	86 World	
27 Calm	57 Personal	87 Money	
28 Important	58 And	88 Advancement	
29 Can	59 Hard	89 Compromise	
30 To	60 The	90 Today	

ARIES MAR. 21 – APR. 19: 4-65-66-74, 75-76-77

TAURUS APR. 20 – MAY 20: 11-22-33-44, 55-60-71

GEMINI MAY 21 – JUNE 20: 7-18-32-43, 54-63-73

CANCER JUNE 21 – JULY 22: 3-14-25-36, 47-59-70

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VIRGO AUG. 23 – SEPT. 22: 10-21-29-38, 49-62-83-89

LIBRA SEPT. 23 – OCT. 22: 5-16-27-40, 51-72-84-85

SCORPIO OCT. 23 – NOV. 21: 9-20-31-42, 53-58-81-88

SAGITTARIUS NOV. 22 – DEC. 21: 8-19-30-41, 52-57-68

CAPRICORN DEC. 22 – JAN. 19: 1-12-23-34, 45-67-80-86

AQUARIUS JAN. 20 – FEB. 18: 2-13-24-35, 46-61-82-90

PISCES FEB. 19 – MAR. 20: 6-17-28-39, 50-69-78

Good (JOY) Adverse (JOY) Neutral

5 F 12/13

In the Sky

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Seen in the night sky
5 Source of earth's light
8 Earth's satellite
12 French river
13 Peer Gynt's mother
14 Preposition
15 Scottish miss
16 Beverage
17 Natural channels
18 There — nine major planets
19 Earth (Latin)
21 Exclamation
22 Cattle farm
24 Wise ones
26 Condescend
28 Hubbubs
29 Rent (Fr.)
30 Masculine nickname
31 Lifetime
32 Native metal
33 Narrow strips of wood
35 Cosmos
38 Old World carnivore
39 Small islands
41 Sue — Langdon
42 Remain erect
46 Enzyme (biochem.)
47 Burrower
49 Poem
50 Portend
51 Carbamide
52 Scottish sheepfold
53 Armed conflicts
54 Try out
55 Finale
56 Italian city

DOWN

1 Our earth is part of the — system
2 Diadems
3 Agree
4 Legal point
5 Glut
6 Employer
7 Close to
8 Drinking vessel
9 Wild ass
10 Musteline mammals
11 Proboscises
19 Mental conceptions
20 Small planet
23 Filter
25 Sea ducks
27 Pastries
28 Pack, as cargo
33 Girl's name
34 Anoints (archaic)
36 Peruvian animals
37 Sahara, for instance
38 Whole scale (music)
40 Meaning
43 Ripped
44 Arabian gulf
45 Require
48 Take food
50 Be indebted

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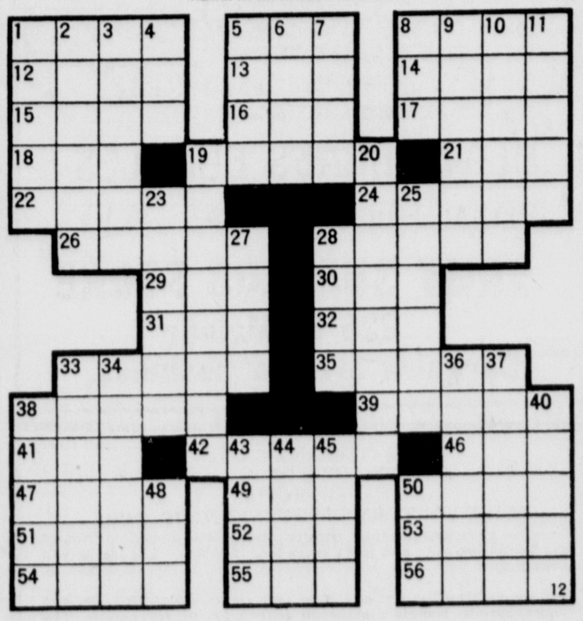


Today in U. S. History

Today is Thursday, Dec. 12, the 346th day of 1974. There are 19 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1642, the Dutch navigator, Abbel Tasman, discovered New Zealand.

On this date—

In 1792, in Vienna, Ludwig van Beethoven paid 19 cents for his first music lesson — from Franz Joseph Haydn.

In 1894, Japanese troops invaded Korea.

In 1937, an international incident was touched off when the Japanese sank the American gunboat, "Panay," in the Yangtze River in China.

In 1964, Kenya became an independent republic within the British Commonwealth.

Ten years ago: The Soviets announced that a commission would meet in Moscow in March to plan a World Communist Conference. The move was seen as a deliberate challenge to Communist China.

Five years ago: Greece, under fire on charges of violating human rights, withdrew from the Council of Europe before the country could be expelled.

One year ago: The British Government extended a state of emergency after a rail slowdown added to the country's problems.

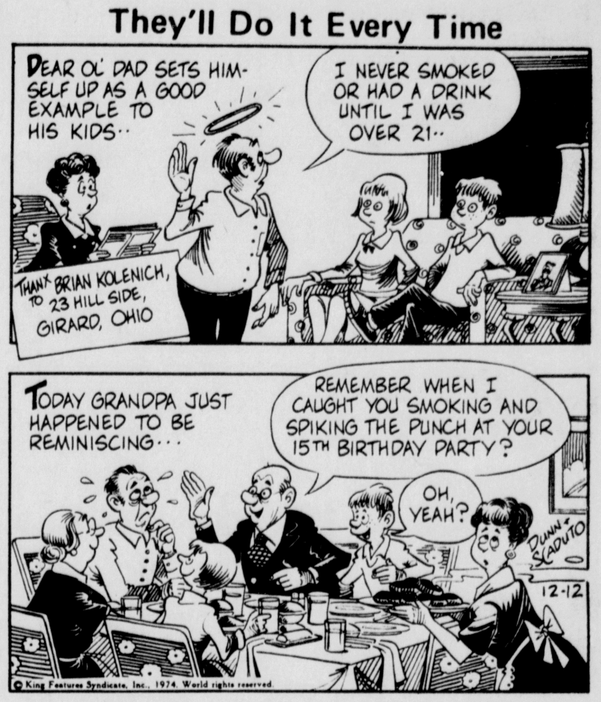
Today's birthday: Frank Sinatra is 59 years old.

Thought for today: Moderation is a fatal thing; nothing succeeds like excess -- Oscar Wilde, Irish writer, 1854-1900.

There are additional payments of $750 for each dependent child, up to a limit of $2,250.

Payments are reduced in cases of partial dependency. Lump sum payments have been paid to the dependents of accident victims since April last year.

They'll Do It Every Time



STEVE CANYON By Milton Caniff

CAPTAIN EASY by Crooks & Lawrence

MARY WORTH by Saunders and Ernst

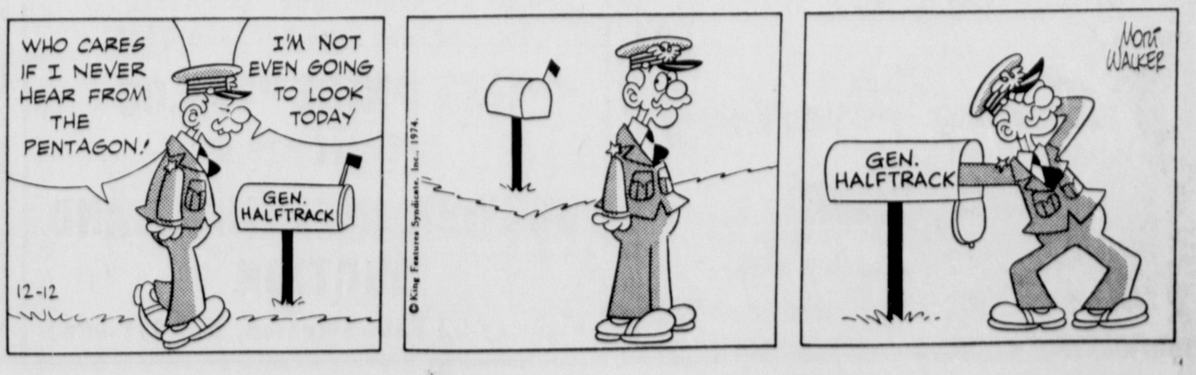
PEANUTS by Schulz

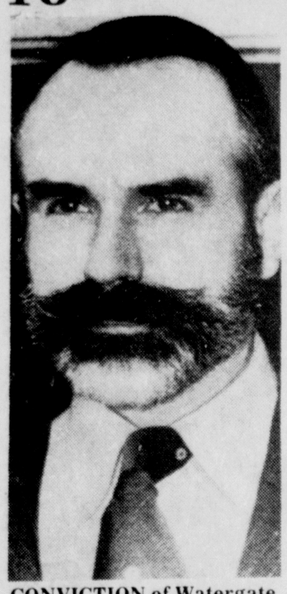
ALLEY OOP by Grave

THE PHANTOM by Falk & Barry

THE RYATTS by Jack Elrod

BEETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker





CONVICTION of Watergate burglar G. Gordon Liddy was upheld by a federal appeals court that praised Judge John Sirica for his handling of the original case. Liddy had been sentenced to a minimum of six years imprisonment and fined $40,000 but is currently free on bond pending formal notification of the appeals court's decision.

The First Christmas Toys

a fantasy by P. Pastoret and D. Baur

AND THEY'RE PREMATURE. Billy and Susie Ferinde are getting expert help, though, at The Children's Hospital in Newark, N.J., where a grant from the March of Dimes pays for equipment and trained personnel in the neonatal intensive care unit.

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Ads run on Tuesday will be inserted in Shopper Topper at an additional one day charge.

DEADLINE

Ads to be taken out of next days publication must be called in by 4 p.m. the day before. Copy must be submitted by 4 p.m. the day before publication. Monday through Thursday. 11 a.m. Friday deadline.

ERRORS

We must be notified the first day of publication of errors, after that you will be charged.

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12-19-74

For sale
1970, 28 ft. motor home, new motor $4200. 1970 Chevrolet walk in van $1200. Like new 12" radial arm saw. $250. See at 168 Lee Street.
11-19-74

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12-20-74

For sale - Fireplace wood and Collie pup. 243-8309.
12-12-74

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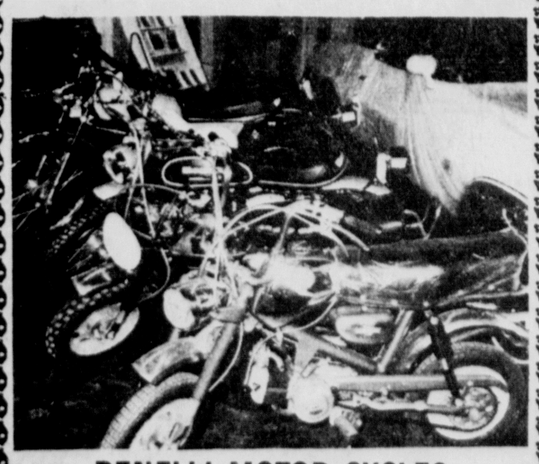

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